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Editor's Note

Summer was a series of ups and downs, both physically and emotionally. The first major event we attended was Anime Expo back in July. It was just too crazy with all people…just too many people and not good crowd control. There were many events and concerts that we were not able to participate. The ticketing system was a major factor for this. You had to pay. Just due to the fact that you had to pay large sums of money for them is a huge deterrent. Even convention staples like the masquerade cost money to attend. We made due with what's left and made the most of it.

The next major event I attended was San Diego Comic Convention. Now this was something I haphazardly fell into. I was so glad that things worked out…for the most part. The best part was not having a set plan on what to do. Even though we were planning panels and events, eventually we all played it by ear…again, for the most part. It was being around awesome friends exploring the entire convention, meeting up with old friends you see at other conventions, networking and meeting new people. Everything else came in second.

Along with the two convention, this past summer was a totally movie summer. *Pacific Rim* was a refreshing look at the "giant robot" genre and it was good too. *World's End* and *Kick-Ass 2* were hilarious, fun and had a tone of seriousness to them. These movies were by far my favorite for the summer. Let's hope this coming season will be just as awesome and crazy!

- Ed Gomez

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New Region New Adventure,

Updated Game Play:

Pokémon X Pokémon Y

Its 2013 and pok mon trainers are going to be traveling from the Unova region to the new Kalos region. With new pok mon being discovered and added to the pokedex, the new updated count is around 700 pok mon. Thats right, there are 700 pok mon!!! The first look of the new pok mon is what fans want to see from this new region.

The next update of the game besides just a new region and *Pokémon* is the game system. In order to play the new *Pokémon* game you will need a Nintendo 3DS (N3DS). With the new N3DS play, it takes the game into a new way of playing and interacting. The world that trainers will be traveling around will be in 3D. This is an upgrade from the previous 2 dimension and looking from up above view.

At the start of every *Pokémon* game, you still get to choose between a boy or a girl trainer. The new trainers look a little similar to previous characters but this time they will be viewed in 3D. After picking which trainer you are, the next step is picking your starter pokémon. The new starter pokémon look amazing and you get

CALEM

SERENA

Chespin

Fennekin

Froakie

to choose between Chespin, Fennekin, or Froake. After choosing your preferences, the start of your adventure begins. Make sure to watch out during your journey for Team Flare.

With the new game system, visualizations, characters and pokémon, another addition is the brand new type of pokémon, "Fairy." The "Fairy" type is the newest addition since the "Steel" and "Dark" types that were introduced 10+ years ago. The this new type are strong against "Dragon" type pokémon. The first pokémon announced as a "Fairy" type from Pokémon.com is the new and 8th Eevee evolution, Sylveon.

Having the new evolution of Eevee introduced, another evolution is introduced which only happens in the Kalos region, *Mega Evolution*. Mega Evolution can only be done by a few selected pokémon holding a Mega Stone during battle. This new evolution can change the pokémon type or abilities during a battle. After the battle is over, the pokémon returns to its original form. This new style of evolution is brand new and will give some pokémon who could not evolve before a chance to show their new forms, even if its only during battles.

Speaking of battles, there are two new battle formats added to the game: *Horde Encounters* and *Sky Battles*. Usually when there multiple pokémon attacking, you would have the same number of pokémon battling against them such as 3 versus 3. The difference in Horde battle is one of your pokémon have to battle against multiple pokémon by itself. Most of the time when you battle its on the ground but the newest format, Sky battle, lets you fight in the sky. The only way to fight Sky battles is to have only pokémon that can fly. These two formats will be a good challenge for any pokémon fan.

The next addition involving pokémon is the interaction with your own pokémon through *Pokémon Amie*. This new feature allows the trainer to pet, play and feed your pokémon. With this new interaction, pokémon can feel the love its being given. The love and care you give the pokémon will make it friendlier. If your pokémon is friendly to you, it can perform better during battle such as dodging attacks or deal critical damage.

The most recent news is the new pokémon storage system that is online called the *Pokémon Bank*. The Pokémon Bank is a storage system over the internet that can hold 3,000 pokémon. This system will also introduce the Poke Transfer which will transfer pokémon from previous games into the new Pokémon X or Pokémon Y. This will make it easier to transfer pokémon and to store them. The Pokémon Bank unfortunately is going to be an annual charge for its use.

It seems that this new game will be taking all trainers young and old into a new era of adventure gaming. Using the full potential of the Nintendo 3DS has introduced various new ways of playing and enjoying a long time fun game. Bringing new ideas, innovations and meeting new people is the purpose of this game. So for all the fans just waiting out there, make sure to get your copy. As soon as you get it, just remember the phrase, "Gotta Catch 'Em All!!!" ❖ Khan Toh

Pokémon X and Pokémon Y
October 12, 2013 (WW)
Game Freak
Nintendo, The Pokémon Company

Platform: 3DS

www.pokemonxy.com
www.pokemon.co.jp/ex/xy/
en.pokemon-gl.com
en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pokémon_X_and_Y

Director: Masuda, Junichi
Artist: Sugimori, Ken

Rating ESRB: Everyone

A NEW ERA OF POKÉMON
Arrives on the Nintendo 3DS in October!
Pokémon Y
Pokémon X
Available 10.12.13
Nintendo
NINTENDO 3DS

Convention Schedule

Autumn 2013

Aoi Uma Con
September 20-22
Ramada Plaza Louisville Hotel and Conference Center
Louisville, KY
www.aoiumacon.com

CampAnime
September 20-22
Camp Woodstock
Woodstock Valley, CT
www.campanime.com

Ramencon
September 20-22
Radisson Hotel at Star Plaza
Merrillville, IN
www.ramencon.com

Animeland Otaku Mex
September 20-23
Crowne Plaza Albuquerque
Albuquerque, NM
www.animelandotakumex.com

PROJECT: Comic Con
September 21-22
Westport Sheraton
Lakeside Chalet
St. Louis, MO
www.projectcomiccon.com

Maneki Neko Con 2
September 27-28
Prairie State College
Chicago Heights, IL
prairiestate.edu/student-life/student-clubs/anime-club/2013-maneki-neko-con-2/index

Anime Weekend Atlanta
September 27-29
Renaissance Waverly Hotel & Cobb Galleria Centre
Atlanta, GA
www.awa-con.com

OmegaCon
September 27-29
Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center Charlottesville
Charlottesville, VA
www.omegaconvention.com

Wildcat Comic Con
September 28
Pennsylvania College of Technology's main campus in Williamsport
Williamsport, PA
wildcatcomiccon.pct.edu

Senshi-Con
September 28-29
William A. Egan Civic & Convention Center, Anchorage, AK
www.senshicon.net

Sac-Con
September 28-29
Scottish Rite Center
Sacramento, CA
www.sac-con.com

Realms Con
October 4-6
AmericanBank Center
Corpus Christi, TX
www.realmscon.com/wordpress/

ShadoCon
October 4-6
Grand Hyatt Tampa, Tampa, FL
www.shadocon.com

Tomodachi Fest
October 4-6
Boise Hotel and Conference Center, Boise, ID
www.tomodachifest.com

FenCon IX
October 4-6
Crowne Plaza Dallas
Addison, TX
www.fencon.org

Archon
October 4-6
Collinsville Gateway Center
St. Louis, MO
www.archonstl.org/37/

Kraken Con
October 5
South San Francisco Conference Center
South San Francisco, CA
www.krakencon.com

NyanCon
October 5
Lakeland Community College
Kirtland, OH
www.nyancon.org

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Portland Retro Game Expo
October 5-6
Oregon Convention Center
Portland, OR
www.retrogamingexpo.com

London Film and Comic Con
October 5-6
Olympia Grand Hall
London, UK
www.londonfilmandcomiccon.com/winter/

New York Comic Con
October 10-13
Jacob K. Javits Center
New York, NY
www.newyorkcomiccon.com

Akai Con
October 11-13
Millenium Maxwell House
Nashville, TN
www.akai-con.webs.com

Encounters
October 11-13
Best Western Wichita North Hotel & Suites
Wichita, KS
www.encounterscon.com

Tsubasacon
October 11-13
Riverfront Ballroom and Conference Center
Huntington, WV
www.encounterscon.com

Dallas Comic Con
October 11-13
Irving Convention Center
Dallas, TX
www.scifiexpo.com/DCC/Home.html

Pandoracon 2013
October 11-13
Atrium Hotel
Cincinnati, OH
www.pandoracon.com

Anime Banzai
October 18-20
Davis Conference Center
Layton, UT
www.animebanzai.org

Anime Fusion
October 18-20
Ramada Mall of America
Bloomington, MN
www.animefusion.net/home/

Another Anime Convention
October 18-20
Radisson Hotel Manchester Downtown, Manchester, NH
www.anotheranimecon.com

FAN:dom
October 18-20
University of West Florida Commons
Pensacola, FL
www.fandomcon.com

Arcana
October 18-20
Best Western Hotel
St. Paul, MN
www.arcanacon.com

Conjecture & ConChord
October 18-20
Town & County Resort Hotel
San Diego, CA
2013.conjecture.org

Necronomicon
October 18-20
Embassy Suites at USF
Tampa, FL
www.stonehill.org/necro.htm

CONtraflow
October 18-20
Doubletree Kenner
New Orleans, LA
www.contraflowscifi.org

F.A.C.T.S.
October 19-20
Flanders Expo
Ghent, Belgium
www.facts.be

Aki Con
October 25-27
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Seattle Airport, Seattle, WA
www.akicon.org

Banzaicon
October 25-27
Columbia Marriott Downtown
Columbia, SC
www.banzaicon.com

MCM London Comic Con
October 25-27
ExCeL Convention Centre, Royal Victoria Dock
London, UK
www.mcmcomiccon.com/london/

Oni-Con
October 25-27
Galveston Island Convention Center
Galveston, TX
www.oni-con.net

SNAFU Con
October 25-27
Grand Sierra Resort
Reno, NV
www.snafucon.com

Geek Gala
October 26
Charlotte Marriott Executive Park, Charlotte, NC
www.charlottegeeks.com/geek-gala/

BristolCon
October 26
Ramada Hotel
Bristol, UK
www.bristolcon.org

Unplugged Expo
October 26-27
Daniels Spectrum
Toronto, Ontario
www.unpluggedexpo.com

Jack O'Con
October 31 - November 2
Crowne Plaza Albuquerque
Albuquerque, NM
www.jackocon.com

Youmacon
October 31 - November 3
Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center/Cobo Center
Detroit, MI
www.youmacon.com

World Fantasy Convention
October 31-November 3
Hilton Brighton Metropole
Brighton, England
www.wfc2013.org

Anime NebrasKon
November 1-3
Ramada Plaza Omaha Hotel and Convention Center, Omaha, NE
www.animenebraskon.com

Stan Lee's Comikaze Expo
November 1-3
Los Angeles Convention Center
Los Angeles, CA
www.comikazeexpo.com

Geek Media Expo
November 1-3
Cool Springs Conference Center & Franklin Marriott
Nashville, TN
www.geekmediaexpo.com

Rhode Island Comic Con
November 1-3
Rhode Island Convention Center
Providence, RI
www.ricomiccon.com

Anime Vegas
November 1-3
Renaissance Hotel
Las Vegas, NV
www.animevegas.com

Bakuretsu Con
November 1-3
Hampton Inn and Event Center
Colchester, VT
www.bakuretsucon.org

N2U
November 1-3
Travelodge Ottawa Hotel & Conference Centre
Ottawa, Ontario
www.n2u.ca

Nekocon
November 1-3
Hampton Roads Convention Center, Hampton, VA
www.nekocon.com

Convention Who/ Reversed Polarity
November 1-3
Sheraton Parkway Toronto North Hotel
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
www.tcon.ca/reversedpolarity/

Hurrican Who
November 1-3
Doubletree by Hilton Orlando at Sea World
Orlando, FL
www.hurricanewho.com

Convolution
November 1-3
Hyatt SFO Airport Burlingame
Burlingame, CA
www.con-volution.com/2013/

HonorCon
November 1-3
Greenville Hyatt Regency Downtown
Greenville, SC
www.honorcon.org

WasabiCon
November 2-3
Jacksonville Marriott
Jacksonville, FL
www.wasabicon.com

Tucson Comic-Con
November 2-3
The Tucson Convention Center, Tucson, AZ
www.tucsoncomic-con.com

Rhode Island Comic Con
November 2-3
Rhode Island Convention Center
Providence,RI
www.ricomiccon.com

Animaine
November 8-10
Best Western Merry Manor Inn
South Portland, ME
www.animaine.com

Anime Blast Chattanooga
November 8-10
Chattanooga Convention Center
Chattanooga, TN
www.animeblastchattanooga.com

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Pacific Media Expo
November 8-10
Hilton Los Angeles Airport
Los Angeles, CA
pacificmediaexpo.info/2013/

ComiCon-way
November 8-10
The Faulkner County Library
Conway, AR
www.comicon-way.com

Coast City Comicon
November 8-10
DoubleTree Hilton Portland
Portland, ME
www.coastcitycomicon.com

OryCon
November 8-10
Portland Doubletree Hotel
Portland, OR
35.orycon.org

Hal-Con
November 8-10
World Trade & Convention Centre
Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada
www.hal-con.com

Atomacon
November 8-10
Sheraton Airport Hotel
Charleston, SC
www.atomacon.org

Quinte Mini Con
November 9-10
Quinte Sports & Wellness Centre
Belleville, Ontario
quinteminicon.weebly.com

Doki Doki
November 9
Sugden Sports Centre
Manchester, UK
www.dokidokifestival.com

Hamacon Minicon
November 9
Von Braun Center
Huntsville, AL
www.hama-con.com

Quinte Mini Con
November 9-10
Quinte Sports & Wellness Centre
Belleville, Ontario
www.quinteminicon.weebly.com

Nerdacon
November 15-16
Columbus State University, Davidson Student Center
Columbus, GA
www.nerdacon.campus-nerds.org

Kollision Con
November 15-17
Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare
Rosemont, IL
www.kollisioncon.com

Supanova Pop Culture Expo
November 15-17
Adelaide Showground
Adelaide, Austrailia
www.supanova.com.au

Memphis Comic and Fantasy Con
November 15-17
Memphis Hilton
Memphis, TN
www.memphiscfc.com

ICON
November 15-17
Cedar Rapids Marriott
Cedar Rapids, IA
www.iowa-icon.com

Astronomicon
November 15-17
Radisson Hotel
Rochester Riverside
Rochester, NY
www.astronomicon.info

Eirtakon
November 22-24
Croke Park Conference Centre
Dublin, Ireland
www.eirtakon.com

Chibi-Pa
November 22-24
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel
Deerfield Beach - Boca Raton
Deerfield Beach, FL
www.chibipa.com/home.php

Daisho Con
November 22-24
Kalahari Resorts :
Wisconsin Dells
Wisconsin Dells, WI
www.daishocon.com

Wizard World Austin
November 22-24
Austin Convention Center
Austin, TX
www.wizardworld.com/austin.html

WhoFest
November 22-24
Crowne Plaza Dallas
Dallas, TX
www.whofestdfw.org/index.html

Ecto Con 2013
November 22-24
Airport St. Louis Hilton
St. Louis, MO
www.ectocon.com

BanzaiKon
November 29 - December 1
Schlitterbahn Beach Resort
South Padre Island, TX
www.banzaikonrgv.com

Starbase Indy
November 29-December 1
Indianapolis Marriott East
Indianapolis, IN
www.starbaseindy.com

Chicago TARDIS
November 29-December 1
Westin Lombard Yorktown Center
Lombard, IL
www.chicagotardis.com

Loscon 2013
November 29-December 1
LAX Marriott Hotel
Los Angeles, CA
www.loscon.org/40/

Sac-Con
December 8
Scottish Rite Center
Sacramento, CA
www.sac-con.com

Anime Crossroads
December 13-15
Indianapolis Marriott East
Indianapolis, IN
wwww.animecrossroads.com

DomoCon
December 13-15
Wyndham Lisle-Chicago Hotel and Executive Meeting Center
Lisle, IL
www.domocon.org

Con Alt Delete
December 13-15
Wyndham Lisle Hotel
Lisle, IL
www.conaltdelete.com

Anime Apocalypse
December 27-29
Best Western Clock Tower Resort, Rockford, IL
www.animeapocalypse.org

Ikkicon
December 27-29
Hilton Austin
Austin, TX
www.ikkicon.com

Anime-Zap!
January 3-5, 2014
Embassy Suites East Peoria - Hotel & Riverfront Conference Center, East Peoria, IL
www.animezapcon.com

Otakon Vegas
January 3-5, 2014
Planet Hollywood Resort and Casino, Las Vegas, NV
www.otakonvegas.com

Taiyou Con
January 3-5, 2014
Hilton Phoenix East in Mesa
Mesa, AZ
www.taiyoucon.com

Ichibancon
January 9-12, 2014
Embassy Suites Concord
Concord, NC
www.ichibancon.com

KotoriCon
January 10-11, 2014
Gloucester County College
Sewell, NJ
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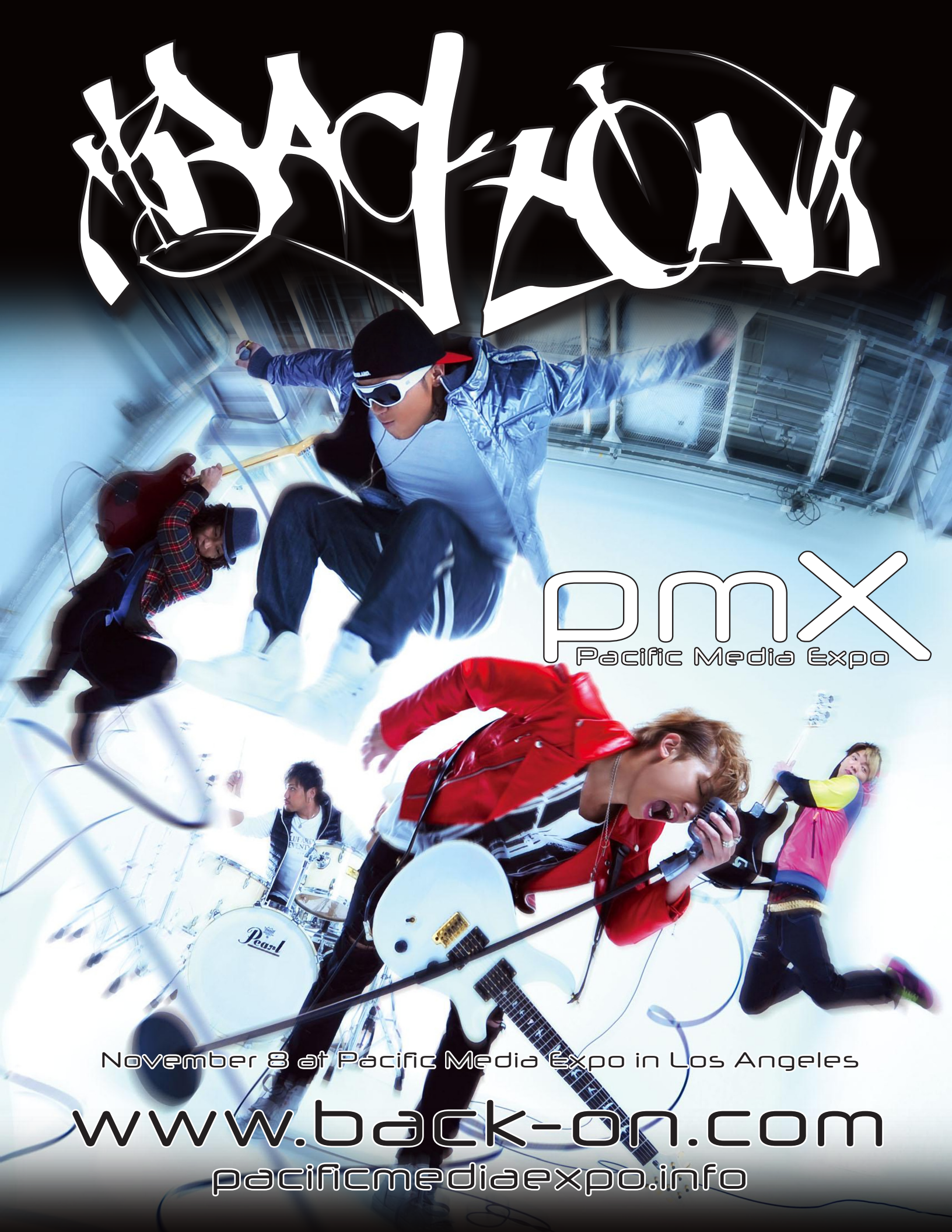
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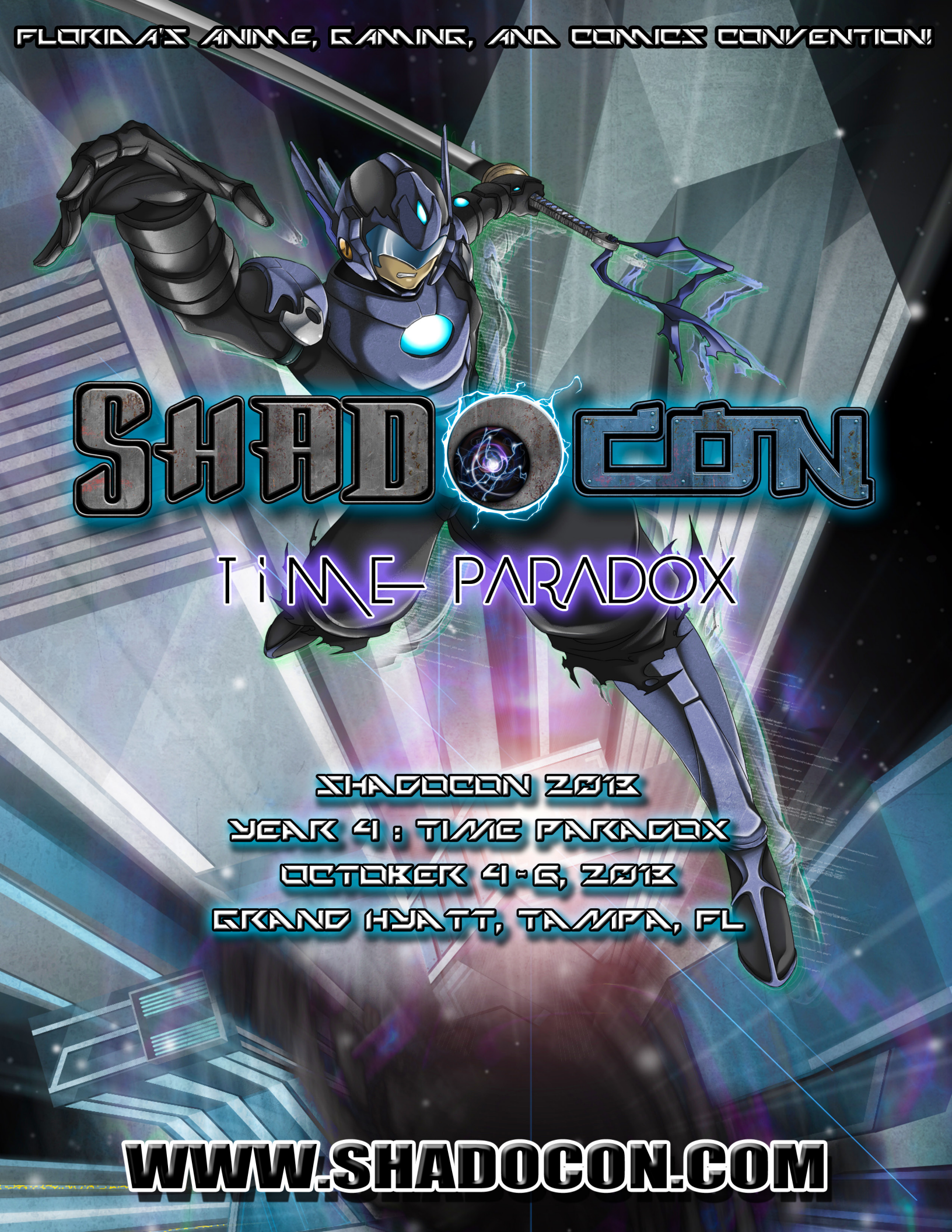
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Hatsukoi Limited

Have you ever been in love?

I watched this anime a week or so ago, and it was more or less what I expected when I read the synopsis, it is an anime about a group of girls and there quests for love, and I have to say that this anime does push the question of Can guys ever understand girls? I think it is a brilliant take on love life, and stereotypes of girls and boys.
Do you think that guys could ever understand girls?

Art

The artwork in this anime is perfect in my opinion, it's not too flashy, it doesn't follow down the path of fan service per say, the artwork never distracts you away from dialogue or characters, it helps the story in so many ways, if this anime had artwork like say *High School of the Dead*, it wouldn't be able to be taken seriously, but if the artwork was too plain, then viewers may lose interest.

The effects of this artwork are to keep you interested and keep you focussed on the characters personalities and actions rather then their looks. I feel that the characters animation caught my eye the most, the background art always seemed to lack in detail

Hatsukoi Limited (First Love Limited)
初恋限定
TV • April 11 – June 27, 2009 • 12 Episodes
J.C.Staff
Sentai Filmworks

www.j-hatsukoi.com
www.sentai-filmworks.com
en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First_Love_Limited

Director: Yamakawa, Yoshiki
Writer: Kawashita, Mizuki
Character Design: Shitaya, Tomoyuki

Cast:
Arihara, Ayumi = Ise, Mariya
Enomoto, Kei = Itō, Shizuka
Bessho, Koyoi = Toyosaki, Aki
Zaitsu, Mamoru = Irino, Miyu
Kusuda, Etsu = Asanuma, Shintaro

but the characters would always make up for that loss. The artwork for the boys was a bit of a let down, but maybe the art was supposed to be this way, the art for the boys was small wimpy looking "Ugly" where as the girls were made to look glamorous, cute and good looking.

Story

A series relating the intertwined stories about the "first loves" of several middle-schoolers and high-schoolers. Each episode tends to focus on a different character, however the developments established during previous episodes continue to play smaller roles in those following. As the series progresses, an array of unusual and unexpected love webs begin to blossom.

The story is fairly straight forward and each episode tends to focus on a different character, and as you progress through the anime I saw that each episodes has little effects on another, one action of a certain character can effect another.

The story isn't very unique or mind blowing, but it doesn't fail to pull viewers in, it is simply a take on normal lives, it's natural. The story is well structured and never strays of its path, besides the information and story being rushed and pushed at you in the early episodes, it is consistent and never fails. The characters and story are almost attached, with the story following character development. You get to watch the characters grow and mature over the 12 episodes.

Sound

I personally thoroughly enjoyed the music throughout this anime, I feel that the music complimented the anime, when there was a funny scene, music that fitted that scene would be played, when there was a serious scene, music that fitted was played, I think the creators did a great job with the music.

The vocals were good throughout, I wouldn't say they were perfect but they weren't bad, the only bad thing is that typically the vocals were wimpy and stupid in certain parts, which lets the anime down in some ways, but also fits in with stereotypes.

The sound effects made me chuckle on the odd occasion, I feel that the sound effects give the anime that comedy feel, when something funny happens the sound effects are always there to add that extra humor, and in contrast, they were also there when serious dialogue or actions were taking place.

The opening theme was short and simple, and the music was calm and soothing, and the ending theme was fantastic.

Characters

The main protagonist is Ayumi Arihara the second year middle school student who is the cute good looking normal girl, who follows a normal teenage life.

Other main characters in this anime are the rest of the girls in the group, Koyoi Bessho, Nao Chikura, Rika Dobashi, Kei Enomoto. These girls follow certain stereotypes with in my opinion **Kei** being the most stereotypical, at the start she talks about how looks are more important then anything else but her opinion begins to change as the anime progresses.

Koyoi is the brother loving happy go lucky character that never seems to be sad. She is a bit weird and will do anything to for her brother.

Nao is a jealous, art loving character who's story follows her love for art and how she grows close to a fellow artist.

Rika is the most level headed out of the girls, she enjoys mocking and teasing and is knows as a "tom-boy", due to her athletic ability.

Then you get the boys, who range from the shy and wimpy, to the perverted and ballsy.

Etsu Kusuda is the pervert who has a talent for putting girls to sleep.

Hiroyuki Sogabe is a friend of kusuda, he's insecure and a narcissistic.

Mamoru Zaitsu is the happy go lucky wannabe paramedic.

Rika Dobashi

I feel like these characters are natural, it doesn't feel forced when these characters interact bar the odd occasion, it has the feel of a normal teenagers life. I feel the characters reactions to certain situations show that it is natural and this helps the story progress as it feels as if I was watching an animated version of someones life through the eyes of several characters.

Enjoyment

This anime is good because of many reasons, it is a simple slice of life romantic comedy that takes the subject of love and teaches it so brilliantly, the characters compliment the anime and vice versa, the music and sound were fantastic and consistent, I loved the artwork in this anime, it is simple yet so very effective.

The bad points for this anime are that it doesn't appeal to the male audiences as much as female which is to be expected, the story is very generic and the anime isn't very unique. Although I feel that this anime is very well done and is brilliant, it never really appealed to me, I could only watch a few episodes a night, it strayed to much on the girly side of anime for me to ever enjoy it to the full extent.

Directly above to Right:
Etsu Kusuda, Hiroyuki Sogabe and Mamoru Zaitsu

Goal of the anime

The goal of this anime was simply to show how understanding girls can be very difficult and near impossible, it is showing that love can happen between any two random people, no another.

❖ Brad Austin Currie

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COPPELION

コッペリオン

GoHands ✦ October 2 ✦ AT-X

www.starchild.co.jp/special/coppelion/ ✦ youtu.be/xqNivE8KhGM

In 2016, a meltdown of a nuclear power plant creates a big catastrophe in Tōkyō. 20 years later, the city has become a ghost town due to the high levels of radiation. From that area, a distress signal is received. The Self Defense Forces dispatch three girls from the special unit *Coppelion* to search for survivors. But why aren't they wearing any protection against radiation?

Kyōkai no Kanata (Beyond the Boundary)

境界の彼方

Kyoto Animation ✦ October 2 ✦ Tokyo MX

anime-kyokai.com ✦ youtu.be/BnfeVrAAS2k

The dark fantasy follows a high school sophomore named Akihito Kanbara. Although the boy appears human, he is half *yōmu* and invulnerable to wounds because he can heal quickly. One day, Akihito meets freshman Mirai Kuriyama when it seems she is about to jump from the school rooftop. Mirai is isolated because of her ability to manipulate blood, which is unique even among members of the spirit world. Disturbing events begin to unfold after Akihito saves Mirai.

Kyōsōgiga

京騒戯画

Toei Animation ✦ October 2 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.kyousougiga-tv.com

Koto and her brothers, A and Un are stuck in a strange city causing massive mayhem through the land called Kyōtobut not the Kyōto they are from. They are searching for an atypical rabbit in order to return home. Koto, who is the eldest of the three, seems to have some sort of connection to this weird place ruled by a monk, a demon, and a priest.

Pocket Monsters: THE ORIGIN

ポケットモンスター THE ORIGIN

OLM, Production I.G, XEBEC ✦ October 2 ✦ TV Tokyo

www.tv-tokyo.co.jp/anime/pokemon_bw/index2.html ✦ youtu.be/_Lyi2RSVxqg

The anime will feature the player and rival characters from Nintendo's original *Pokémon Red* and *Pokémon Green* (released as *Pokémon Blue* in North America) video games.

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Gaist Crusher

ガイストクラッシャー

Studio Pierrot • October 2 • TV Tokyo

www.tv-tokyo.co.jp/anime/gaist/

Gaimetal, a metal ore with high amounts of pure energy, was discovered 50,000 meters (160,000 feet) underground in 2047, and mining began all around the world. However, Gaist, metallic lifeforms whose bodies are entirely encrusted with Gaimetal, emerged in 2055 and began attacking people. In 2064, Rekka, Hayato, Kurama, and Siren are among those who suit up in Gaist Gear and battle over 100 varieties of Gaist creatures.

Miss Monochrome

ミス・モノクローム

Liden Films/Sanzigen • October 1 • TV Tokyo

www.starchild.co.jp/special/miss_monochrome_anime/

According to the setting, Miss Monochrome loves only the monochrome style, dislikes all kinds of color, and always dreams about changing the world into her favorite monochrome color.

Aikatsu! -Aidoru Katsudō!- 2nd Series (Idol Activities! 2)

アイカツ! -アイドルカツドウ- 2

Sunrise • October 3 • TV Tokyo

www.tv-tokyo.co.jp/anime/aikatsu/index2.html • youtu.be/6xbCgH0vGYw

Starlight Academy is facing a predicament thanks to the rise of the new rival idol training school, Dream Academy. The Dream Academy's "cool beauty" Seira Otoshiro is a major new idol with talent in rock music and perfect pitch, while Kii Saekusa is a genius who enrolls in the academy's producer course. The two academies face off for the honor of training the top idol. Second season of Aikatsu!.

Golden Time

ゴールデンタイム

J.C. Staff • October 3 • MBS

golden-time.jp • youtu.be/LqcxfmkBnAI

Tada Banri found himself completely lost after the opening ceremony. At that moment, he ran into another lost freshman from the same school, Yanagisawa Mitsuo. There appeared in front of the two a beautiful girl holding a bouquet of roses. The girl then whacked Mitsuo across the face with the bouquet and handed the flowers over to him. The stylish, well dressed, perfect woman that had swung at Mitsuo was his childhood friend, Kaga Kōko. As children they had promised to marry each other one day.

Kill la Kill

キルラキル

TRIGGER • October 3 • MBS

www.kill-la-kill.jp

Student council president Satsuki Kiryūin rules by force. Wielding a giant Basami scissors sword, the wandering transfer student Ryūko Matoi brings about upheaval on the campus. Ryūko searches for the mysterious figure who caused her father's death, but confronting her are the student council's "four divine kings." Fortunately, Ryūko is aided by a talking sailor uniform who tells her, "Wear me. When I am worn by you, this power will become manifest."

Season Continued

IS -Infinite Stratos- 2

IS〈インフィニット・ストラトス〉2
8-bit Studio ✦ October 3 ✦ TBS
www.tbs.co.jp/anime/is2/ ✦ youtu.be/PBIvTeJMdEI
Japan engineered an armed powered exoskeleton “Infinite Stratos” (IS) and it became the mainstream of weapons. Since only women can operate IS, women dominate the society over men. Orimura Ichika is a 15 year old boy and accidentally touches an IS placed in the IS pilot training school. He is found to be the only man who can operate IS and forced to enter the training school. Ichika’s busy school life surrounded by girls has begun. Second season of Infinite Stratos.

Nagi no Asu Kara

凪のあすから
P.A. Works ✦ October 3 ✦ BS Animax
www.nagiasu.jp ✦ youtu.be/uAc9KKUMTAc
About two middle school friends, the indecisive crybaby Manaka Mukaido and Hikari Sakishima, who has looked after her since they were children.

Outbreak Company

アウトブレイク・カンパニー
feel. ✦ October 3 ✦ TBS
www.tbs.co.jp/anime/obc/ ✦ youtu.be/pwTPxNhhdK4
Having a light novel author father and an eroge illustrator mother, Kanō Shinichi is a thoroughbred otaku. He does not have any special power except for his broad knowledge, sharp insight, and impeccable instinct about “moe” and its products. One day he found himself transported to a fantasy world where elves live and dragons fly. And he is given a task—enhance cultural exchange by becoming a “moe missionary” in this fantasy world!

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Freezing Vibration

フリージング ヴァイブレーション

ACGT ⋆ October 4 ⋆ AT-X

freezing.tv ⋆ youtu.be/hKNHhpbp0BQ

Earth has been invaded and is at war with aliens from another dimension called the Nova. The story follows the adventures of a Japanese boy named Kazuya Aoi who enrolls for training at a special school for genetically modified girls called Pandoras who battle the aliens, and their male partners, called Limiters, who use a special power called "freezing" to limit their opponent's mobility. Second season of *Freezing*.

Strike the Blood

ストライク・ザ・ブラッド

SILVER LINK./CONNECT ⋆ October 4 ⋆ AT-X

dengekibunko.dengeki.com/mediamix/stb/ ⋆ youtu.be/YoqgLCATqUk

The Fourth Primogenitor—That's the world's strongest vampire that should only exist in legends. For the observation and obliteration of this Fourth Primogenitor, the government and Lion King decided to dispatch an attack mage known as a *Sword Shaman*. However, for some reason, the one chosen for the observation was a apprentice Sword Shaman girl, Himegari Yukina. What is the true identity of the Fourth Primogenitor, Akatsuki Kojō, she encountered over there!?

Yūsha ni Narenakatta Ore wa Shibushibu Shūshoku o Ketsui Shimashita (I, Who Didn't Become a Hero, Reluctantly Decided to Find a Job.)

れなかった俺はしぶしぶ就職を決意しました

Asread ⋆ October 4 ⋆ Tokyo MX

yu-sibu.com

The story revolves around Raul, a boy who did not become a Hero, since the demon lord was already defeated just before his Hero exams. His dreams dashed, Raul spends his days working at a magic shop in the capital. The work comedy revolves around this former Hero-in-training and the daughter of the demon lord.

Hajime no Ippo: Rising (Fighting Spirit: Rising)

はじめの一歩 Rising

Madhouse/MAPPA ⋆ October 5 ⋆ Nippon TV

www.vap.co.jp/ippo/

Ippo Makunouchi continues his boxing career and his goal on knowing the meaning of being strong, and the desire on fighting his idol Ichiro Miyata once again. Along him are pro boxers Takamura, Aoki and Kimura that each one of them aspire to their own dreams. The third series of *Hajime no Ippo*.

Kuroko no Basuke 2 (Kuroko's Basketball 2)

黒子のバスケ2

Production I.G ✦ October 5 ✦ MBS

www.kurobas.com ✦ youtu.be/5ox9aQTegrU

An up-and-coming power player, Taiga Kagami, is just back from America. When he comes to Seirin High School, he meets the super-ordinary boy, Tetsuya Kuroko. Kagami is shocked to find that Kuroko isn't good at basketball, in fact, he's bad! And he's so plain that he's impossible to see. Kuroko makes a pact with Kagami to defeat the other members of the Miracle Generation, who have all played basketball at other schools. The second season of *Kuroko no Basket*.

Little Busters! ~Refrain~

リトルバスターズ！～Refrain～

J.C. Staff ✦ October 5 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.litbus-anime.com ✦ youtu.be/uNEQUd7BT_U

When tragedy struck Riki Naoe as a child, he was rescued from grief over his parent's deaths when four other kids "re-cruited" him for their group—the "Little Busters." Now in high school, Riki and the other Busters are still fast friends, and though their vision of being heroes for justice may have faded, they'd still do anything for each other. Second season of *Little Busters!*

Log Horizon

ログ・ホライズン

Satelight ✦ October 5 ✦ NHK-E

www9.nhk.or.jp/anime/loghorizon/ ✦ youtu.be/RjXMNrNmRfg

The story begins when 30,000 Japanese gamers are trapped in the fantasy online game world Elder Tale. What was once a sword-and-sorcery world is now the real world. The main lead Shiroe attempts to survive with his old friend Naotsugu and the beautiful assassin Akatsuki.

Seiyū Sentai Voicetorm 7

声優戦隊ボイストーム7

N/A ✦ October 5 ✦ NTV/NTV On-Demand

www.ntv.co.jp/voicetorm7/

The story is about group of seven warriors out to protect Japan (mainly otaku) with their voices from the forces of evil threatening to destroy moe.

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Tesagure! Bukatsu-mono

てさぐれ! 部活もの

Tesagure! Production Committee ✦ October 5 ✦ Nippon TV

www.ntv.co.jp/tesabu/

The CG anime centers around the extracurricular activities of students.

WHITE ALBUM 2

ホワイトアルバム2

Satelight ✦ October 5 ✦ Tokyo MX

whitealbum2.jp ✦ youtu.be/FX-CBKjX7CI

The story centers around a college junior named Haruki Kitahara and his relationships with Setsuna Ogiso and Kazusa Tōma in the light music club.

Season *Continued*

Daiya no Ace (Ace of Diamond)

ダイヤのA[エース]

MADHOUSE/Production I.G ✦ October 6 ✦ TV Tokyo

diaace.com

The story follows Eijun Sawamura, a pitcher who joins an elite school with a brilliant catcher named Kazuya Miyuki. Together with the rest of the team, they strive for Japan's storied Kōshien championships through hard work and determination.

Gingitsune (Silver Fox)

ぎんぎつね

Diomedea ✦ October 6 ✦ TV Tokyo

gingitsune.net ✦ youtu.be/QNsyL_UEh1k

Gintaro is a fox spirit that has been protecting the small Inari temple since the Edo era. Saeki Makoto's family possesses the power to see the gods' agent, but the ability is limited to one living relative at a time. When Makoto's mother passed away while she was still young, Makoto inherited the ability as the sole remaining family member. With the help of fox spirit's power, Makoto and Gintaro help the people of their community, in spite of their many differences.

Magi: The Kingdom of Magic

マギ The kingdom of magic

A-1 Pictures ✦ October 6 ✦ TBS/MBS

www.project-magi.com ✦ youtu.be/uZ8cFBcXYsk

Aladdin is a boy who has set out to explore the world after being trapped in a room for most of his life. He discovers he is a Magi, a magician who chooses kings, and he was born to choose kings who will follow the righteous path, battling against those who want to destroy fate. Follow his adventures as he meets others from *1001 Arabian Nights*, like Ali Baba and Sinbad, and fights to keep the balance of world in check! Second season of *Magi*.

Megane-bu!

メガネブ！

Studio DEEN ✦ October 6 ✦ Tokyo MX

mgnb.tv ✦ youtu.be/Hzn27QC_xyE

Kenji Akabane plays Akira, a 17-year-old second-year student at Himaraya Third Technical High School. He proclaims that eyeglasses are not a means of correcting vision or a fashion accessory, but a better way to see the world. He categorizes all of humanity into three groups: "glasses," "those who don't wear glasses," and "the ladies." He scolds those who wears contacts, going around and calling them "weaklings!!"

Phi Brain: Kami no Puzzle 3rd Season (Phi Brain: Puzzle of God 3)

ファイ・ブレイン ～神のパズル 第3シリーズ

Sunrise ✦ October 6 ✦ NHK-E

www.phibrain.net

The puzzles get tougher and even more deadly as Kaito Daimon continues his battle against the power hungry Givers of the POG. And with one team member already switching sides, will Kaito have what it takes to keep solving the deadly puzzle traps put before him and reach the fabled "Puzzle of God?" More importantly, will he be able to solve the puzzles AND maintain his sanity? The third season of *Phi Brain*.

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Tēkyū 3

てーきゅう 3

MAPPA • October 6 • Tokyo MX

te-kyu.com

Tēkyū is based on a sports comedy manga of the same name featuring four high school girls who belong to a tennis club. Third season of *Tēkyū*.

Sekai de Ichiban Tsuyoku Naritai! (Wanna Be the Strongest in the World!)

世界でいちばん強くなりたい！

Arms • October 6 • Tokyo MX

www.sekatsuyo.com • youtu.be/YQY8CqAaayI

Hagiwara Sakura and Miyazawa Erena are the leading members of a popular idol group Sweet. One day, Erena is injured by the attack of a female pro-wrestler Kazama Rio during the recording of a TV program. Sakura gets mad at Rio and gives her a dropkick. To avenge Erena, Sakura enters the female pro-wrestling matches.

Yozakura Quartet ~Hana no Uta~

夜桜四重奏 ～ハナノウタ～

Tatsunoko Production • October 6 • Tokyo MX

yozakura-anime.jp • youtu.be/wJUsHIaIRNI

In a town where humans and demons co-exist, it takes more than a normal police force to maintain the peace. Enter the Hiizumi Life Counseling Office, a fantastic foursome of unique teenagers, each gifted with an amazing super power!

Aoki Hagane no Arpeggio -ARS Nova- (Arpeggio of Blue Steel: ARS Nova)

蒼き鋼のアルペジオ –アルス・ノヴァ–

Sanzigen • October 7 • MBS

www.aokihagane.com • youtu.be/30GHXmIyWJk

Due to global warming and rising sea levels of the early 21st century, humanity lost much of the Earth's landmass. At the same time, fleets of powerful sentient ships of unknown origin armed with advanced technology and weapons, known collectively as the "Fleet of Fog," mysteriously appeared and easily vanquished the world's naval forces. The Fleet of Fog impose a worldwide naval and aerial blockade, and thus preventing humanity from traveling across the seas.

Gundam -Build Fighters-

ガンダム ビルドファイターズ

Sunrise • October 7 • TV Tokyo

gundam-bf.net • youtu.be/QVkcvXOOs70

The story is set in the near future when GunPla Battles, competitions that pit Gundam plastic models against each other, have become popular worldwide in the "Second GunPla Boom." Sei Iori is talented at building GunPla, but inexperienced in the GunPla Battles. He encounters a mysterious boy named Reiji, who happens to be an accomplished Gundam Fighter. Together, they strive for the GunPla Battle world championships.

Season *Continued*

Kikō Shōjo wa Kizutsukanai (Unbreakable Machine-Doll)

機巧少女(マシンドール)は傷つかない

Lerche • October 7 • AT-X

www.machine-doll.com • youtu.be/v3EMc5EFUYo

Akabane Raishin is now attending the Royal Academy to become the best in the world. Accompanied by the lovely teenage girl Yaya, who is actually Raishin's puppet weapon, he plans on rocketing to the top of the class. However, his test scores come nearly dead last although his combat skills and determination are second to none. Raishin has to compete with the deadliest of classmates if he wants to come out as the king.

Non Non Biyori

のんのんびより

SILVER LINK. • October 7 • TV Tokyo

www.nonnontv.com • youtu.be/GtOCzzLNsOY

Elementary school student Hotaru Ichijō has moved with her parents from Tōkyō to the middle of the country. Now she must adapt to her new school, where there are a total of 5 students in the same class who range through elementary and middle school ages. Join their everyday adventures in the countryside.

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BLAZBLUE ALTER MEMORY

ブレイブルー オルターメモリー

teamKG/Hoods Entertainment ✦ October 8 ✦ Tokyo MX

blazblue-am.jp

The story is set in December of 2199, when the streets are full of anticipation for the end of the year and the start of the new one. Amid the celebrations, word spreads that Ragna the Bloodedge, an SS-class rebel with the highest ever bounty on his head, has appeared in the 13th Hierarchical City of Kagutsuchi. The apparent aim of Ragna or the "Grim Reaper" is the destruction of the system controlling the world. To collect the bounty, a motley array of unrivaled fighters converge on Kagutsuchi.

Tokyo Ravens

東京レイヴンズ

8-bit Studio ✦ October 8 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.tokyo-ravens.com ✦ youtu.be/7MuxbeVaoDM

Tsuchimikado Harutora was born into a prestigious Onmyoji family, but he can't see "spirit energy." Therefore, he's been enjoying a peaceful daily life with his friends at an Onmyo branch school. One day, his childhood friend Tsuchimikado Natsume, heir to the head family, suddenly appears. Will this cause his destiny spring into motion!?

Ore no Nōnai Sentakushi ga, Gakuen Love Come wo Zenryoku de Jama Shitte Iru (My Mental Multiple-Choice Power is Completely Ruining My School Romantic Comedy)

俺の脳内選択肢が、学園ラブコメを全力で邪魔している

Diomedea ✦ October 9 ✦ Tokyo MX

noucome.jp ✦ youtu.be/QCgAbU5Xpeg

The story centers around Kanade Amakusa, a boy cursed with the mental power of "absolute multiple-choice"—a multiple-choice quiz will suddenly appear in his mind, and the choice he makes will become his reality.

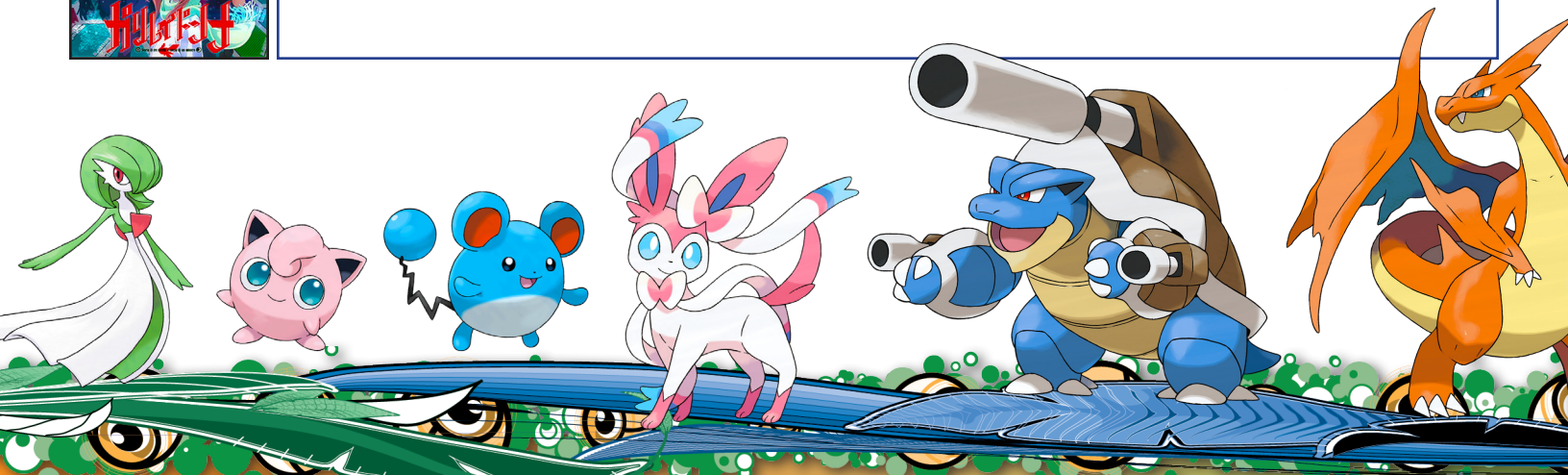
Galilei Donna

ガリレイドンナ

A-1 Pictures ✦ October 10 ✦ Fuji TV

www.galileidonna.tv ✦ youtu.be/oNJfNB2TJ7U

The story is about three moons in the form of three of Italian astronomer Galileo's female descendants who are on international wanted lists.



Season *Continued*

Kakumeiki Valvrave 2 (Valvrave the Liberator 2)

革命機ヴァルヴレイヴ2

Sunrise ✦ October 10 ✦ MBS

www.valvrave.com ✦ youtu.be/4q7D6p3jqTg

The world is divided into two main powers: The Dorssia Military Pact Federation, a power which grew out of a military alliance, and the Atlantic Rim United States (ARUS), which grew in power as it expanded its trade agreements. Within the JIOR's Sphere, Haruto Tokishima lived an ordinary life as a high school student in the division known as "Module 77"—until the Dorssian military begins their sudden invasion! Second season of *Kakumeiki Valvrave*.

Pocket Monsters XY

ポケットモンスターXY

OLM, Production I.G, XEBEC ✦ October 17 ✦ TV Tokyo

www.tv-tokyo.co.jp/anime/pokemon_bw/index2.html ✦ youtu.be/9NJaOaS-UR8

Satoshi and Pikachu will travel to Miare City at the center of the Kalos region. There, they will encounter never-before-seen Pokémon and make new friends. Thus begins a new adventure as Satoshi takes on the Kalos League.

Samurai Flamenco

サムライフラメンコ

Manglobe ✦ October 10 ✦ Fuji TV

www.samumenco.com ✦ youtu.be/H-ctvGbmboQ

Male model Masayoshi Hazama decides to become a superhero. He becomes the hero, Samurai Flamenco and begins to fight crime in the name of justice. Police officer Hidenori Goto finds out about Samurai Flamenco and his real identity by a twist of fate, which leads to him getting involve into lots of trouble. Nonetheless, these two young men will come face to face with hardships of being crime-fighters while discovering what it truly means to be a hero of justice.

Yowamushi Pedal

弱虫ペダル

TMS Entertainment ✦ October 13 ✦ TV Tokyo

yowapeda.com ✦ youtu.be/EV6pG5FB9qc

Otaku Sakamichi Onoda has just entered high school and plans to join the anime club. Fellow freshman Shunsuke Imaizumi and bicyclist, while training, notices a boy (Onoda) riding his mamchari up a steep road. Freshman and road racing cyclist, Naruko Shokichi visits Akihabara to get some Gundam plastic models for his younger brothers and meets Onoda. Later on, both Naruko and Imaizumi try to convince him to join the bicycle racing club, but will he?

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FROM THE MAKERS OF MORTAL KOMBAT

INJUSTICE
GODS AMONG US

INJUSTICE FOR ALL?

So let me start with this: I am an obsessed Batman fan boy who works in a comic shop when I'm not acting or writing video game reviews. I own all the movies and TV series, quite an alarming amount of games, and even a Batman Pimp Cup.

Moving on, like most good Batman fans, I hate Superman. I. HATE. HIM. So when I heard there was going to be a game where they not only balanced a cadre of DC super heroes to make a solid fighting system, but Superman was the primary antagonist, I strapped on my utility belt and grabbed my kryptonite to wage my holy nerd war anew. I thought I was picking up a game I would play once through and put down, yet I was so wrong, so very, very wrong.

Injustice takes place on a parallel earth, very similar to the one we know and love that has DC superheroes running amok and fighting crime. The one difference is, on this earth Superman has been driven to his breaking point by the Joker and the rest of human kind's evil ways. Deciding to take up the mantle of supreme ruler, Supes goes on a warpath and becomes akin to a god among us (HE SAID IT!). He gathers heroes and villains alike to his side and creates a world military police force that keeps its citizens subjugated and streets basically

Injustice: Gods Among Us
April 16, 2013 (NA)
NetherRealm Studios
Warner Bros. Interactive Entertainment

Platform:
Playstation 3,
Xbox 360,
Wii U

www.injustice.com/en
us.playstation.com/games/injustice-gods-among-us-ps3.html
en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Injustice:_Gods_Among_Us

Director: Ed Boon
Producer: Hector Sanchez
Composer: Dean Grinsfelder

Rating ESRB: Teen

crime free. Sounds pretty solid right? The only thing is, to accomplish such a feat, he eradicates any and every person who stands in his way. This ain't your daddy's man of steel. Superman has always made a great villain and in my opinion it is because he makes a crappy bland O.P. superhero. I don't know anybody that likes the boy scout naivety the space immigrant is seen projecting commonly in an effort to fit in with our "AMERICAN IDEALS" but anytime a character like that faces corruption either from within or without they manage catch my eye and hold my interest.

"Supes goes on a warpath and becomes akin to a god among us."

So our Batman, Wonder Woman, Green Lantern and other folks get teleported to this alternate earth to help take down "Supes." Then commence epic action! The gameplay is highly tuned. I am not one to play fighting games all the time, mostly I don't have the patience to learn and/or the skills to execute bad ass combos that leave noobs in tears as I laugh and wipe Dorito dust from the corners on my mouth. That being said, I do love me some *Soul Calibur*, because that just clicks for some reason. YET I DIGRESS! I started off by playing the tutorial to see if that could help my fumbling thumbs adjust to what the game expected of me. Immediately I hit a few roadblocks. Cancel Bounce or Bounce Cancel is the most frustrating part of this game. You will lose your shit at least a few times as you speedily try to enter the combo they are teaching you that I NEVER HAD TO USE ONCE! If I wasn't the filthy achievement whore that I

am I would have thrown my controller into my 1996 Toshiba set and run off crying. There are not, however, that many brick wall moments in the story mode. It does task you with learning a new character's move set every 4 fights a total of 11 times (because they were smart enough to let you play Bats twice) but that isn't all too bad as heroes only have maybe a total of 10 unique moves. The other nice thing is it allows you to perform your super move after your power meter is charged with a simple squeeze of the triggers. These moves along with cut scenes and mini-games add to the cinematic feel the story mode tries to lend a fighting game. Although the moves are amazing to watch it is kind of tough to sit through some of them over and over and retain a cinematic viewpoint, because honestly how many times can Superman punch Catwoman into orbit and smack her back to earth, plopping her headfirst into concrete without the player going "hold on a second..."

I also really enjoyed the amount of skins available for this game. As previously mentioned I LOVE comics, and there are so very many versions and looks these iconic heroes have gone

through. By playing the game you can unlock some skins by completing specific tasks like leveling up or winning an online ranked match with Green Lantern (a.k.a. getting fisted by people across the globe who play competitively until you find another sap trying to do the same thing you are), yet every character has skins that can be unlocked in an extra menu using an in game currency you can earn by beating story or challenge mode missions. These are just the alternate earth versions of your character though. If you are a total sucker like me you can purchase a season pass which both grants the Flashpoint skin pack and all the future dlc characters, of which Lobo is out and Batgirl is confirmed. Then along with occasional updates that let you play with these characters they are giving out other skins, like Flashpoint Batman (one of the coolest so far!), or you can purchase separate skin packs inspired by older comic arcs, like *Teen Titans*, or a slew of costumes for the ladies. The collector's edition also came with three *New 52* skins for the Trinity characters and pre-order retailer incentives ranged from a *Red Son* themed pack, a *Arkham Asylum/City* pack, a *Blackest Night* pack, and even a limited 1 of 5,000 skin for Green Arrow based on the show! That isn't even everything! Because now a days you even need to unlock stuff using a iPhone game! This one is a part fighting, part RPG, part card game which has you developing arthritis as well as having the ability to link to your console game progress to do cross-platform unlocks. Those include stuff for your game card that players can see online and even skins like *Batman Beyond*, a prison superman and some more *Arkham* and *New 52* unlocks. If you want to see every pretty skin it will definitely take your sweet time and some cash to do so.

"There are so many game modes that it will last you forever."

Injustice is created by *Mortal Kombat* vets Nether Realm Studios, and did they do a number on this one. There are so many game modes that it will last you forever if you want to beat it all. After you beat story mode there is a pseudo story mode called "Star Labs" where you complete missions for specific characters and earn between 1-3 stars which unlock further missions. The activities within range from playing "Don't get hit" The Game' ala *Castlevania*, to completing a specific list of moves before defeating your enemy. These can be almost as frustrating as bounce cancel, as they will require you to platform across a stage avoiding things using the fighting movement system or avoid all batarangs when all the AI does is use batarangs! These can sometimes feel like trying to fit a watermelon into a golf hole at

times but as a member of the 100% Dark Souls Club I can learn to appreciate a steep learning curve before I criticize too harshly. The system does take some getting used to in these missions but the next area is where the game shines. Battle mode allows for a more classic arcade feel, fighting a series of enemies with a character solely of your choosing. The neat thing is that they also

> "Injustice is a great call out to my passion for smashin'."

throw in a bunch of special battles which ramp up the difficulty of these mini tourneys. Ones where you have to either perform a certain combo score before defeating your opponent or your health is constantly being drained keeps this mode fresh. The multiplayer is a brutal testament to the school of hard knocks that is online gameplay. I rarely enjoy multiplayer because I enjoy a story far more than "FIGHT TO DEATH FOR JUST BECAUUUUUUUSE!" This game is no exception. Even though I enjoy local multiplayer with pals at parties the online mode is just another can of gasoline in the children of the world calling me a faggot machine. Hate is everywhere folks, and no place more so than the internet. A cardinal rule of gaming especially in the fighting genre I try very hard to adhere to is don't spam one move or combo to win as cheap as possible. When online I feel I am in a distant land called "Spamalot," full of foul mouthed youths who only know one way to win. I understand all is fair in war but I will be damned if this wasn't more frustrating than bounce canceling. I know many mature adults play the game very strategically and complexly and deserve accolades and titles for rising above but this was ridiculous. Aside from the vicious dislike I have of multiplayer interactions the game modes themselves are fairly unique to me. There is ranked and free playlists with standard one on one, a king of the hill mode which puts you in a room with folks as you wager for EXP on the outcomes of fights and the winner continually fights to keep their title and survivor mode. The sheer variety of playable modes in the game really keeps my interest alive and keeps me coming back for more no matter how craptastic I can be.

As a whole, *Injustice* is a great call out to my passion for smashin'. I loved every minute of it. From the epic "AHA!" moments of the well fleshed out story, the bevy of skins and unlockables that populate the game, the modes upon modes to play, and even the savaging I took on the internet. If there was one thing I could change about the game it would be Wonder Woman's face, because that shit is scary.

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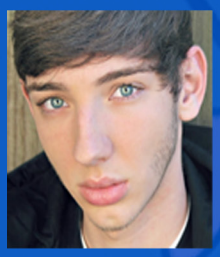

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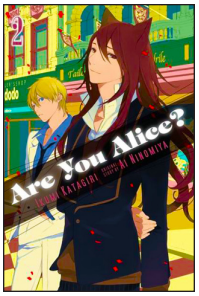

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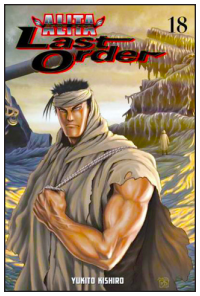

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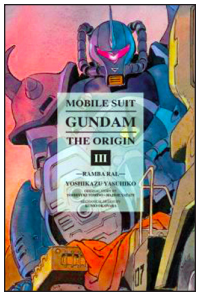

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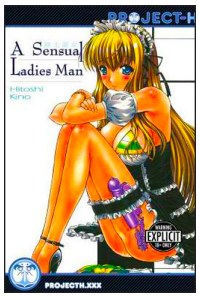

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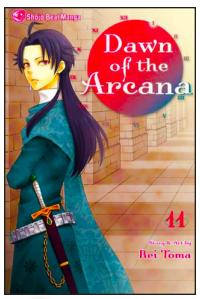

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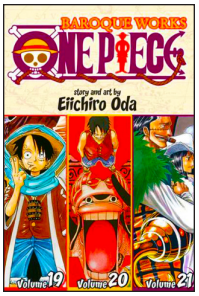

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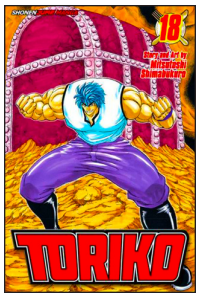

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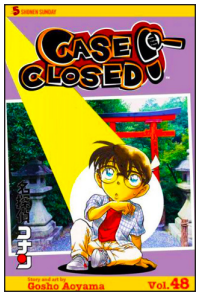

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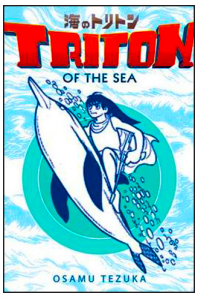

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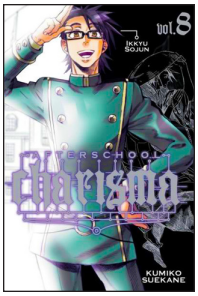

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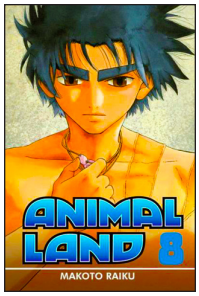

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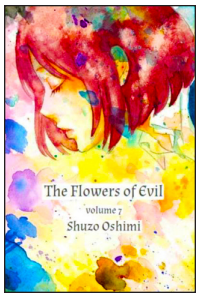

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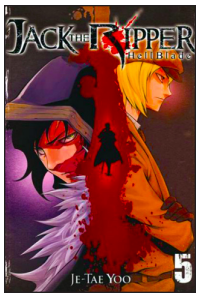

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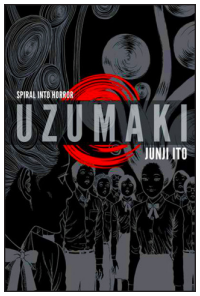

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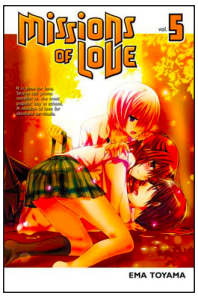

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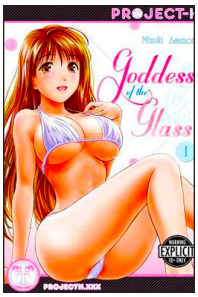

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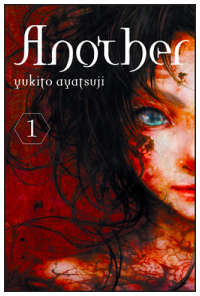

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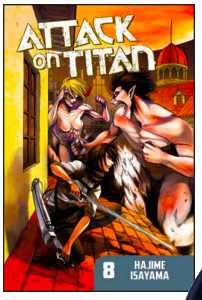

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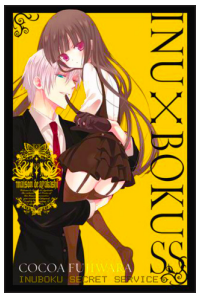

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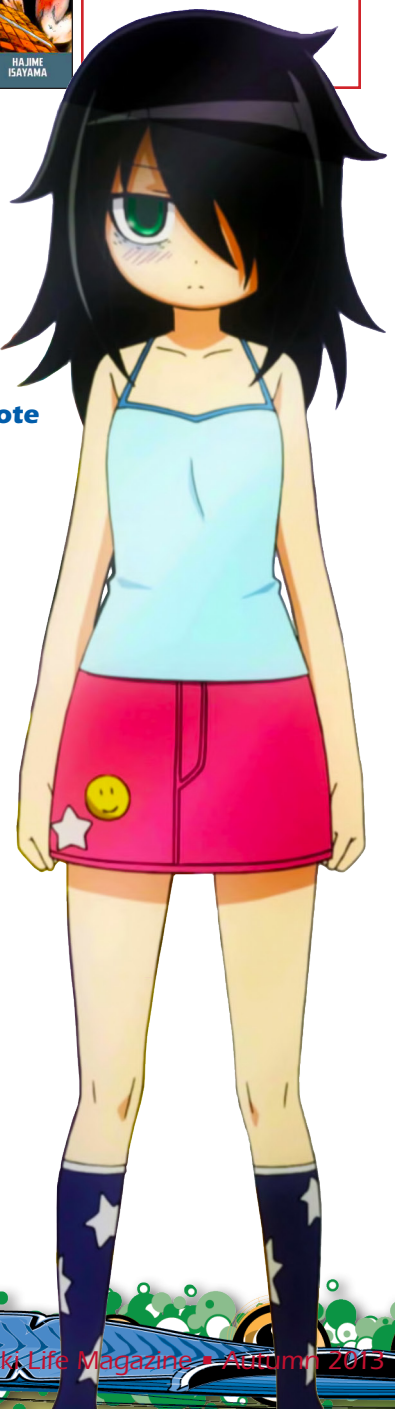

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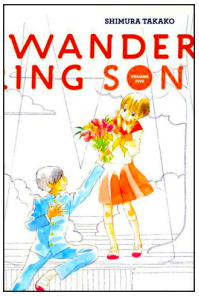

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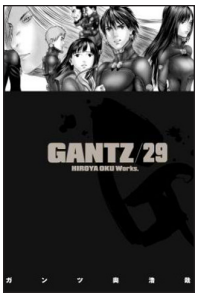

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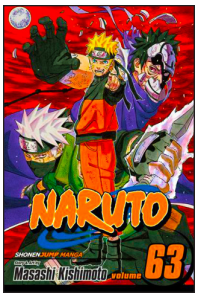

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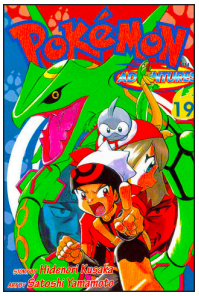

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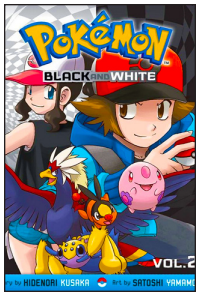

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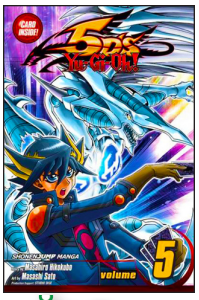

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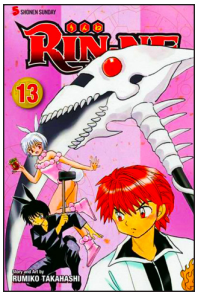

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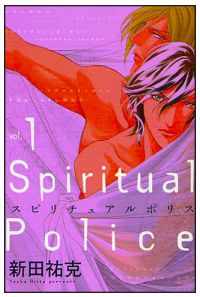

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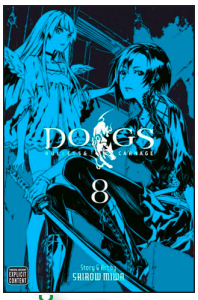

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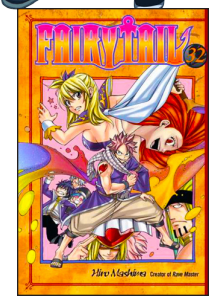

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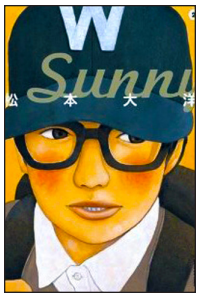

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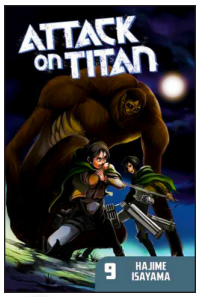

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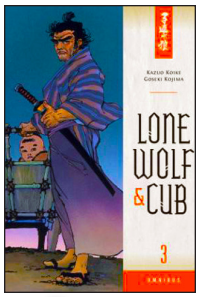

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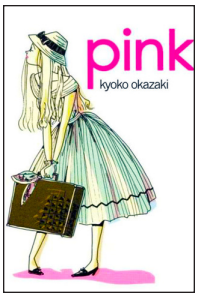

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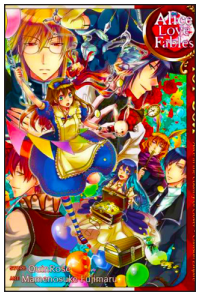

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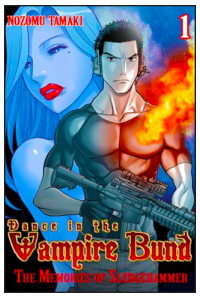

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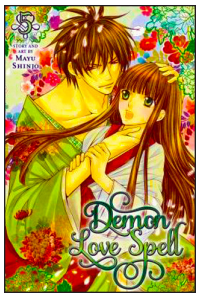

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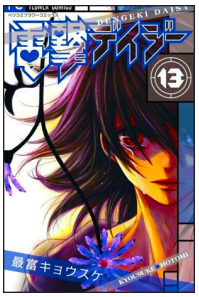

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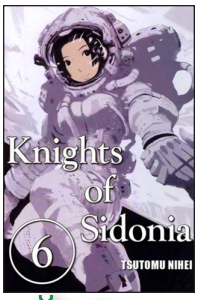

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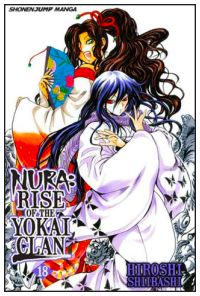

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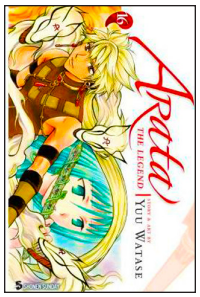

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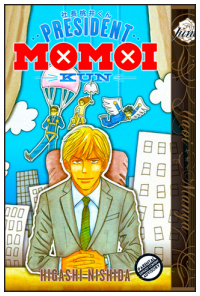

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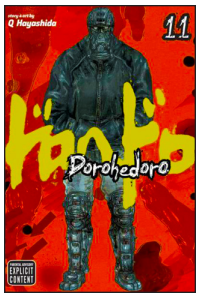

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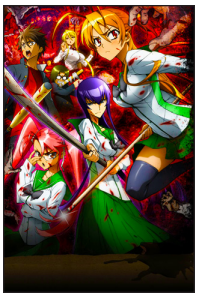

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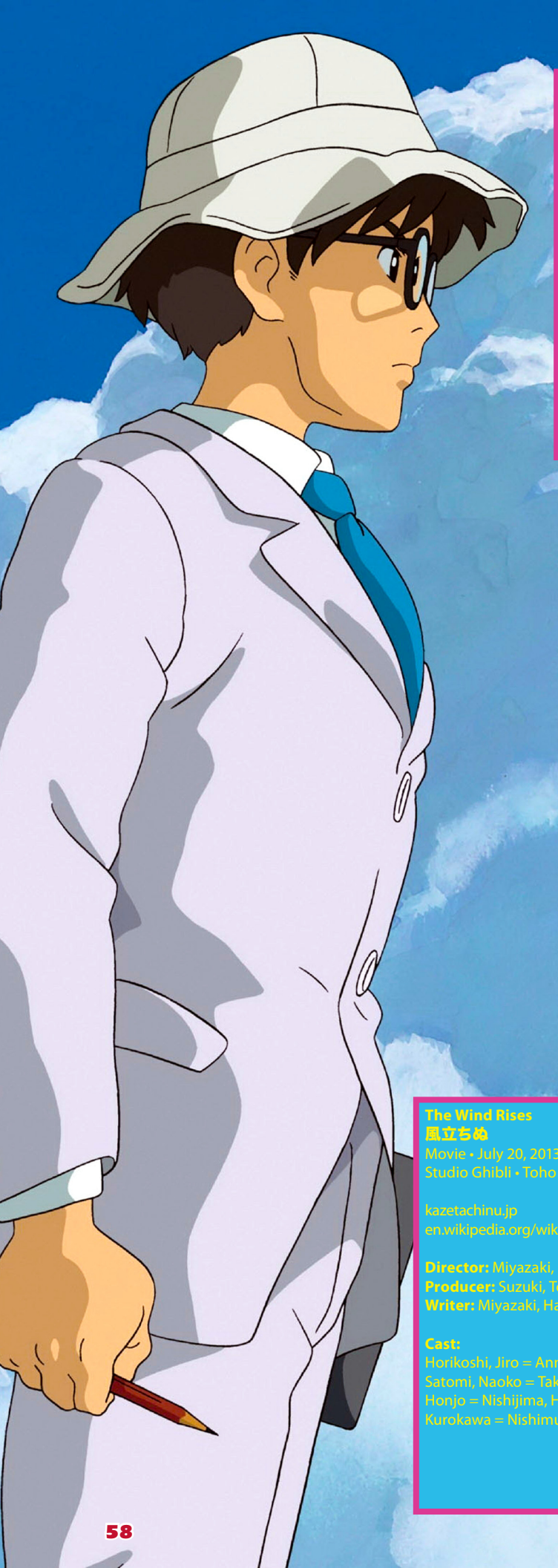

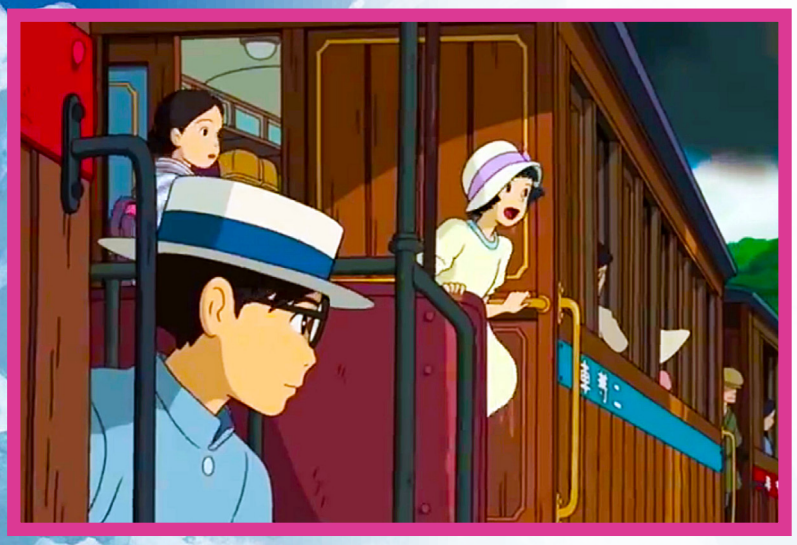

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Award-winning animated film director Hayao Miyazaki will release his first movie in five years Saturday — a work based on the lives of Jiro Horikoshi, designer of Japan's legendary Zero fighter plane, and mid-20th century writer Tatsuo Hori.

The Wind Rises
風立ちぬ
Movie • July 20, 2013
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Director: Miyazaki, Hayao
Producer: Suzuki, Toshio
Writer: Miyazaki, Hayao

Cast:
Horikoshi, Jiro = Anno, Hideaki
Satomi, Naoko = Takimoto, Miori
Honjo = Nishijima, Hidetoshi
Kurokawa = Nishimura, Masahiko

風立ちぬ
Miyazaki's New Adult-Theme Film

Horikoshi was one of the "most brilliant" Japanese in the early, turbulent years of the Showa Era (1926-1989), when Japan charged toward war, Miyazaki, 72, said in a recent interview about his new movie, *Kaze Tachinu* (*The Wind Rises*).

The title is the same as one of Hori's most celebrated novels, his 1937 work about a woman's struggle with tuberculosis. He said it was a main source of inspiration for the movie. Miyazaki, winner of such major international prizes as the Golden Bear at the Berlin Film Festival and the Oscar for best animated feature film, indicated he decided to make a movie about Horikoshi partly to "reclaim" the engineer from the almost sacred status accorded to him by those who glorify the Zero's achievements in the war.

"I've been producing animated movies for the sake of children, so I wondered if I should make a film about a man who developed weapons," said Miyazaki.

"But whatever anyone does, nobody can cause no harm for their whole lives. It's wrong to label people as wrongdoers because they produced weapons.

"It was wrong from the beginning to go to war," Miyazaki added. "But as the Japanese opted for war, it's useless to blame Jiro for it. Basically, engineers are neutral. For instance, automobiles can help people, but they can also hit them."

A Chinese student came to Miyazaki's studio during the production of the new film to learn about animated movies. "He was forward-looking and motivated and I thought young Japanese used to be like him," Miyazaki said. "I could by no means link him" to the dispute over the Senkaku Islands. As border disputes have often been settled by war in the past, conflicts such as those over the Senkakus should be shelved, Miyazaki said. "Japan should make friends with China."

Looking back on his 1989 work *Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind*, Miyazaki said many of the problems he had foreseen confronting the world have become reality.

"Conflicts and environmental destruction have been occurring in various parts of the globe and as a result, wider areas of the world are lacking elements deemed necessary for a state to function," he said.

"Populations have been exploding, prompting people to engage in a race to capture more of the Earth's remaining natural resources. What people are facing now is what follows mass-production society. That is the consequence I predicted while making *Nausicaä*."

Nevertheless, while each generation faces its own challenges, there is no cause for pessimism, Miyazaki says.

"Various things happened in the era of Jiro's life, but people continued to live," he said. "Now earthquakes have occurred and nuclear power generation continues, raising questions about how we should live. But we shouldn't be disheartened because all we need to do is to love others, eat and live by taking good care of children."

Japan should spend more on children and ensure they become wise and resourceful, he said.

The new generation, in turn, will need new works to speak to their imaginations based on the difficulties they face, Miyazaki said.

"They must create fantasies from what they actually see."So from my I send my best wishes from my laptop to yours. Happy gaming~!! ❖ Tomomi Sunaga

Who's That Seiyū

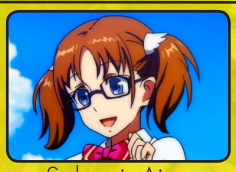
Kayano, Ai
茅野 愛衣

DOB: **September 13, 1987**
Tōkyō

Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Lucy Yamagami
Servant x Service



Sakurai, Aina
Valvrave the Liberator

Saaya
Suisei no Gargantia

Yomi
Senran Kagura

Taketatsu, Ayana
竹達 彩奈

DOB: **June 6, 1989**
Saitama

Blood Type: **0**

Current Roles…

Fu Sawatari ("Potte")
Tamayura More Aggressive

Jörmungandr
Zettai Bōei Leviathan

Tōjo, Koneko
High School DxD New

Kotori, Itsuka
Date A Live

Misawa, Sachika
三澤 紗千香

DOB: **January 13, 1993**
Yamanashi

Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Totori, Kagami
Fantasista Doll

Arianna
Campione!

Kuroyukihime
Accel World

Shirma
Mugen Souls Z

Makino, Yui
牧野由依

DOB: **January 19, 1986**
Tōkyō

Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Yamato, Yura
C3-Bu

Ikuta, Hanabi
C

Yusa
Angel Beats!

Mio
NEEDLESS

Ōsaka, Ryōta
良太 逢坂

DOB: **August 2, 1986**
Tokushima

Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Sakurada, Jun
Rozen Maiden: Zurückspulen

Tachibana, Sugune
Gatchaman Crowds

Sadao, Maō
Hataraku Maō-sama!

Staz Charlie Blood
Blood Lad

Satō, Rina
佐藤 利奈

DOB: **May 2, 1981**
Kitakyūshū, Fukuoka

Blood Type: **B**

Current Roles…

Hinata, Ema
Brothers Conflict

Kasukabe, Saki
Genshiken Nidaime

Vert (Green Heart)
Hyperdimension Neptunia

Hana
Kamisama no Inai Nichiyōbi

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Tanaka , Rie
田中 理恵

DOB: **January 3, 1979**
Sapporo, Hokkaidō

Blood Type: **B**

Current Roles…

Neptune (Purple Heart)
Chōjigen Geimu Neptunia

Mitsuru, Kirijō
Persona 4 Arena

Yamamoto, Akira
Uchū Senkan Yamato 2199

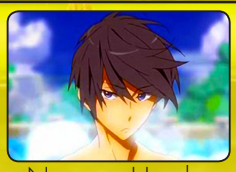
Maria
Hayate no Gotoku! Cuties

Shimazaki, Nobunaga
島﨑 信長

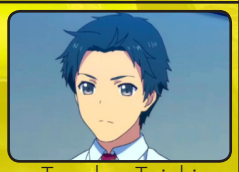
DOB: **December 6, 1988**
Miyagi Prefecture

Blood Type: **A**

Current Roles…



Nanase, Haruka
Free!



Tanaka, Taichi
Tari Tari

Itsuka, Shidō
Date A Live

Guan Xing
Dynasty Warriors 8

Kadowaki, Mai
門脇 舞以

DOB: **September 8, 1980**
Tōkyō

Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Illyasviel von Einzbern
Fate/kaleid liner Prisma Illya

Sanya V. Litvyak
Strike Witches The Movie

Tanaka, Keiko
Amagami SS

Enomoto, Miyuki
Suzumiya Haruhi no Yūutsu

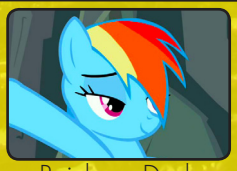
Kitta, Izumi
橘田 いずみ

DOB: **November 27, 1984**
Tōkyō

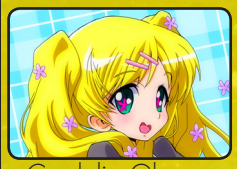
Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Kuroki, Tomoko
WataMote



Rainbow Dash
My Little Pony: Friendship



Cordelia Glauca
Tantei Opera Milky Holmes

Misaki Tokura
Cardfight!! Vanguard

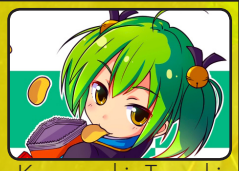
Uesaka, Sumire
上坂 すみれ

DOB: **December 19, 1991**
Kanagawa

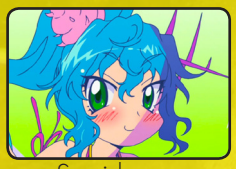
Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Yoshitake, Rika
Genshiken Nidaime



Kannazuki, Tamaki
GJ-bu



Sumida-san
Namiuchigiwa no Muromi-san

Takanashi, Sora
Papa no Iu Koto o Kikinasai!

Inoue, Marina
井上 麻里奈

DOB: **January 20, 1985**
Tokyo

Blood Type: **AB**

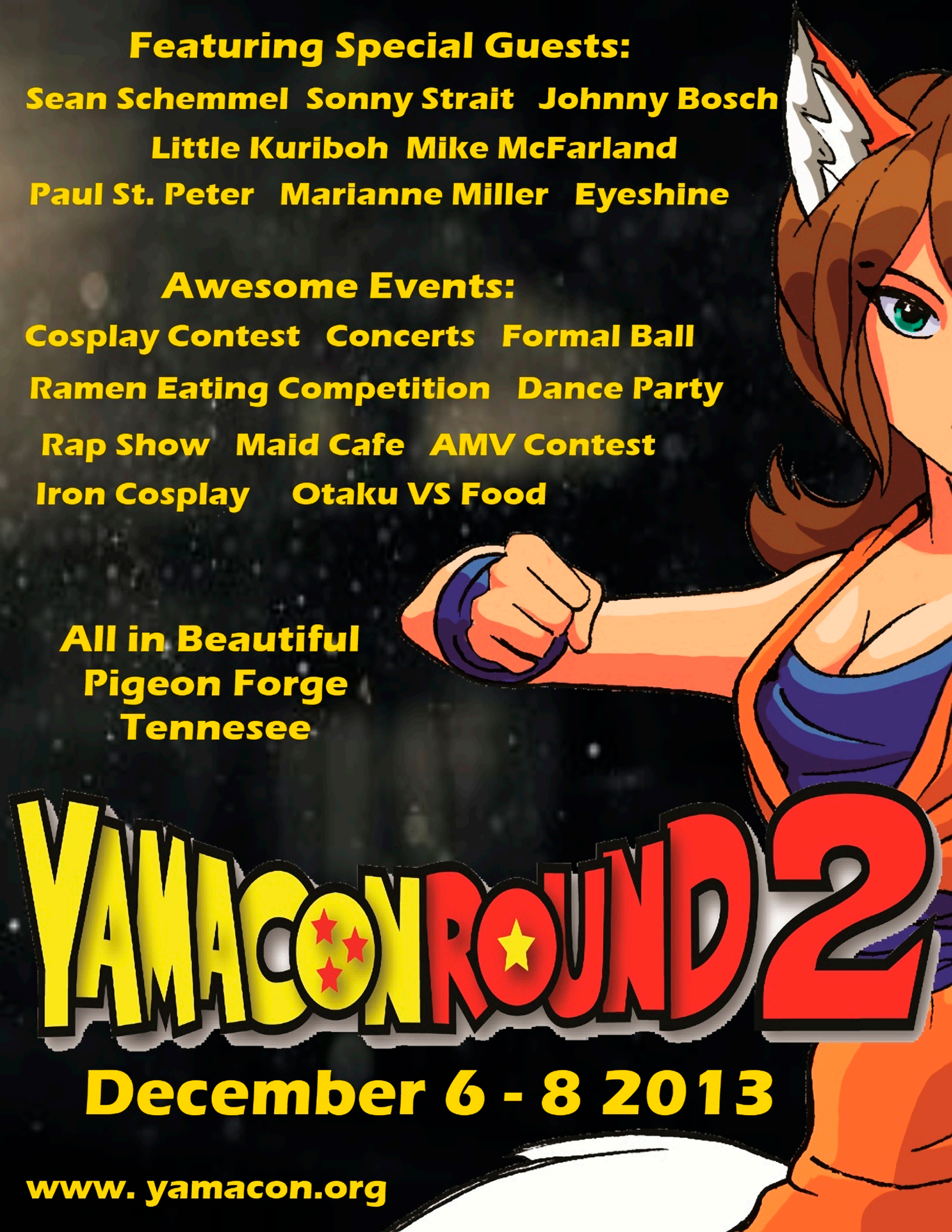
Current Roles…

Kirihime Natsuno
Inu to Hasami wa Tsukaiyō

Miura, Yumiko
OreGairu

Yatogami, Tōka
Date A Live

Armin Arlelt
Shingeki no Kyojin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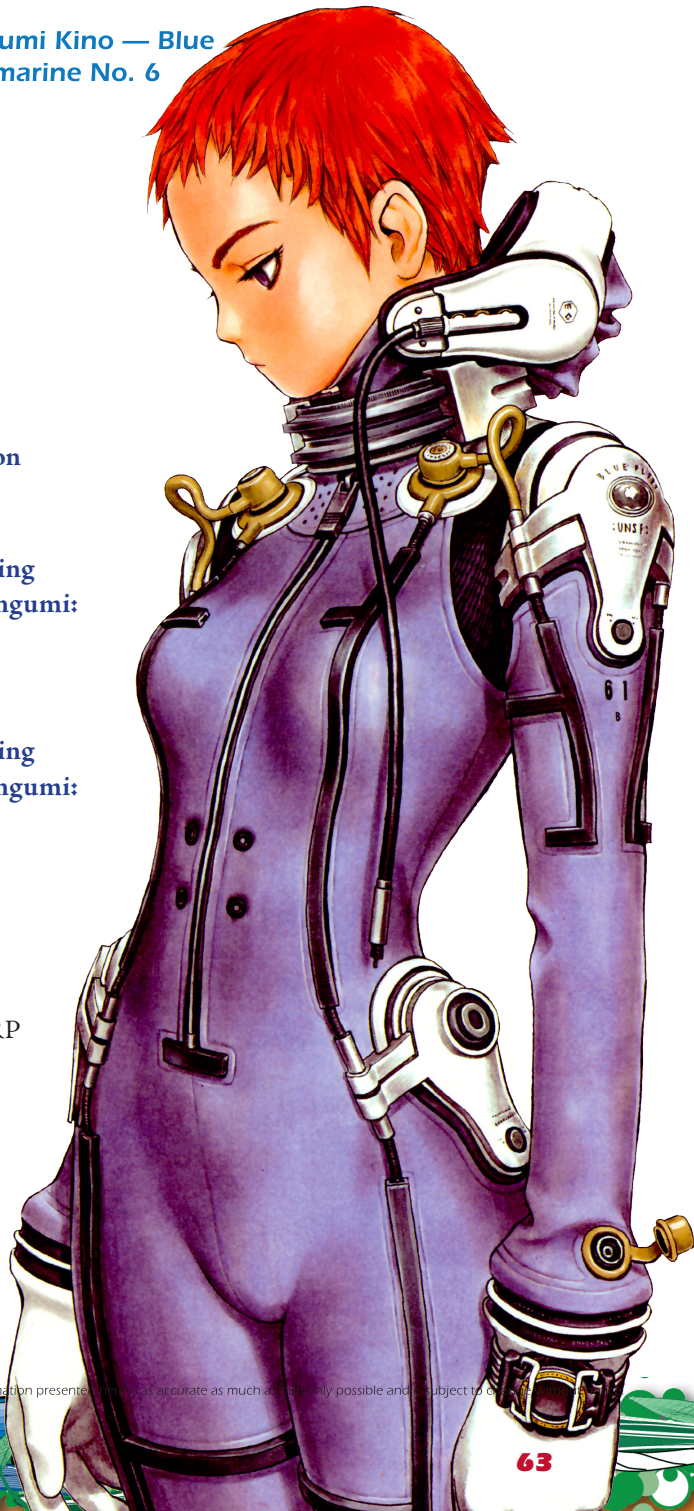

Mayumi Kino — Blue Submarine No. 6

September 24

Blue Submarine No.6: Complete Collection
Discotek Media
DVD • $24.95 MSRP

Great Teacher Onizuka: Complete Collection
Discotek Media
DVD • $79.95 MSRP

Is This a Zombie? of the Dead (Season 2): Complete Collection
FUNimation
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Is This a Zombie? of the Dead (Season 2): Complete Collection (LE)
FUNimation
DVD • $64.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Medaka Box: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Medaka Box: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Pokémon Movie 8: Lucario & the Mystery of Mew (Re-release)
Viz Media
DVD • $9.98 MSRP • Dub

Queen's Blade - Rebellion: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD + 2 CDs • $59.98 MSRP

Queen's Blade - Rebellion: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray + 2 CDs • $69.98 MSRP

Rio -Rainbow Gate!-: Complete Collection
Media Blasters
DVD • $29.98 MSRP • Sub

October 1

Aria The Animation: Season 1 Collection (Litebox)
TRSI/Nozomi Entertainment
DVD • $39.99 MSRP • Sub

Godannar: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $74.98 MSRP

Hakuoki ~Demon of the Fleeting Blossom~ Dawn of the Shinsengumi: Season 3 Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Hakuoki ~Demon of the Fleeting Blossom~ Dawn of the Shinsengumi: Season 3 Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Sankarea - Undying Love: Complete Collection
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

Sankarea - Undying Love: Complete Collection (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Tiger & Bunny the Movie: The Beginning
Viz Media
DVD • $19.98 MSRP

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Royal Space Force: The Wings of Honnêamise

Tiger & Bunny the Movie: The Beginning
Viz Media
Blu-ray • $24.98 MSRP

October 8

BRAVE10: Complete Series Premium Edition
NIS America
Blu-ray • $64.98 MSRP • Sub

Naruto Shippuden: Set 16
Viz Media
DVD • $44.82 MSRP

Phi-Brain ~ Puzzle of God - The Orpheus Order: Season 2, Collection 2
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Phi-Brain ~ Puzzle of God - The Orpheus Order: Season 2, Collection 2
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

We Without Wings: Complete Collection
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $59.98 MSRP

We Without Wings: Complete Collection (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Releases

October 13

Dragon Ball Z: The Best of Goku
FUNimation
DVD • $7.50 MSRP • Dub?

Dragon Ball Z: The Best of Vegeta
FUNimation
DVD • $7.50 MSRP • Dub?

October 15

Campione!: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Campione!: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Eureka Seven: AO (Astral Ocean), Part 2
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

One Piece: Season 5, Part 3
FUNimation
DVD • $39.98 MSRP

Royal Space Force: The Wings of Honneamise
Maiden Japan
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Royal Space Force: The Wings of Honneamise
Maiden Japan
Blu-ray • $39.98 MSRP

Sword Art Online LE Blu-ray Box Set III: Fairy Dance Part 1
Aniplex of America
Blu-Ray • $112.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Sword Art Online, Vol.3: Fairy Dance Part 1
Aniplex of America
DVD • $49.98 MSRP

October 22

BLOOD-C: The Last Dark
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $34.98 MSRP

Di Gi Charat: Original TV Series
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $19.98 MSRP

Digimon Collection Seasons 1-4 DVD Set
New Video Group
DVD • $229.95 MSRP • Dub

Kokoro Connect: TV Episodes 1-13 Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Kokoro Connect: TV Episodes 1-13 Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Princess Knight, Part 2
TRSI/Nozomi Entertainment
DVD • $39.99 MSRP • Dub

Sakura Wars: The Movie
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $34.98 MSRP

Yamibo - Darkness, the Hat, and the Travelers of the Books: Complete Collection
Media Blasters
DVD • $29.98 MSRP • Sub

October 29

Gatchaman (TV & OVA): Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $129.98 MSRP

Gatchaman (TV & OVA): Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $149.98 MSRP

Gatchaman: OVA Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Tekkaman Blade II: Complete OVA Collection
Discotek Media
DVD • $19.95 MSRP

Thermae Romae: Complete Collection
Discotek Media
DVD • $24.95 MSRP • Sub

November 5

Fate/Zero LE Blu-ray Box Set I
Aniplex of America
Blu-Ray • $187.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Fate/Zero: Complete 1st Season
Aniplex of America
DVD • $87.98 MSRP

Hetalia - World Series: Complete Collection
FUNimation
DVD • $44.98 MSRP

Hiiro no Kakera -The Tamayori Princess Saga-: Season 2 Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

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Hiiro no Kakera -The Tamayori Princess Saga-: Season 2 Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Mobile Suit Gundam Unicorn, Part 3
SUNRISE/TRSI
DVD • $29.99 MSRP

Ninja Nonsense: Complete Collection (Litebox)
TRSI/Nozomi Entertainment
DVD • $39.99 MSRP

Patlabor The Mobile Police (TV): Collection 3
Maiden Japan
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Patlabor The Mobile Police (TV): Collection 3
Maiden Japan
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Robotech: The Complete Set (20-Disc Collection)
A&E/Lionsgate
DVD • $89.98 MSRP • Dub

Yu-Gi-Oh!: Season 2 Collection
New Video Group
DVD • $44.95 MSRP • Dub

Yu-Gi-Oh!: Season 2, Vol.1
New Video Group
DVD • $24.95 MSRP • Dub

Yu-Gi-Oh!: Season 2, Vol.2
New Video Group
DVD • $24.95 MSRP • Dub

ZETMAN: Complete Collection
Viz Media
DVD • $44.82 MSRP

ZETMAN: Complete Collection
Viz Media
Blu-ray • $54.97 MSRP

November 12

Akira
FUNimation
DVD • $24.98 MSRP

Akira
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $34.98 MSRP

Maken-ki!: Complete Collection
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

Maken-ki!: Complete Collection (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.98 MSRP • 1st Press

NAKAIMO ~ My little sister is among them!: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

NAKAIMO ~ My little sister is among them!: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Yumeria: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $39.98 MSRP

November 19

Danguard Ace: The Movie Collection
Shout! Factory
DVD • $19.97 MSRP • Dub

Divergence Eve: Seasons 1 & 2 Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $54.98 MSRP

Good Luck Girl! Complete Collection
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

Good Luck Girl! Complete Collection (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Little Busters!: Collection 1
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Little Busters!: Collection 1
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

One Piece the Movie 10: Strong World
FUNimation
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

One Piece the Movie 10: Strong World
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $34.98 MSRP

Sword Art Online LE Blu-ray Box Set IV: Fairy Dance Part 2
Aniplex of America
Blu-Ray • $112.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Sword Art Online, Vol. 4: Fairy Dance Part 2
Aniplex of America
DVD • $49.98 MSRP

November 26

Accel World: Set 1
Viz Media
DVD • $44.82 MSRP

Accel World: Set 1
Viz Media
Blu-ray • $54.97 MSRP

Releases

Cutey Honey: Complete Collection
Discotek Media
DVD • NA • Preliminary

High School of the Dead: Drifters of the Dead (OVA)
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $6.98 MSRP

High School of the Dead: Drifters of the Dead (OVA)
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $9.98 MSRP

La storia della Arcana Famiglia: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

La storia della Arcana Famiglia: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Super Robot Wars OG: Divine Wars
Media Blasters
DVD • $39.99 MSRP • Sub

Super Robot Wars: Original Generation The Animation
Media Blasters
DVD • $14.99 MSRP • Sub

Wolf Children
FUNimation
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Wolf Children
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $34.98 MSRP

December 3

Saint Seiya: Sanctuary Classic Complete Collection
New Video Group
DVD • $99.95 MSRP • Dub

Zatch Bell Megaset Collection
New Video Group
DVD • $99.95 MSRP • Dub

December 17

Jormungand, Part 1
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

Natsume Rin — Little Busters

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L: Tiffany Tezna (Starlighthoney) & R: Cassandra May (Breathlessaire) of Cupcake Coslpay.

World Cosplay Summit, also known as WCS, is an ever-growing annual international competition which culminates in a one-to-two-week long event in Nagoya, Japan in the summer. Through a series of preliminaries, each country selects a new pair of cosplayers each year to represent their country in Japan. There, they serve as ambassadors for parades, interviews, and a final competition to show the differences, as well as similarities, of cosplay around the world. The main goal of the events in Nagoya is to bring countries closer together and to enjoy this amazing hobby with each other!

Journey to WCS and Beyond

To begin on our journey to representing the United States for the World Cosplay Summit, we have to go back a few years. We first competed in 2008 at New York Anime Festival in New York as Belldandy and Skuld from *Ah! My Goddess!* There, we did a fun performance using isis wings to swirl and create a unique stage presentation. The next year we competed was in 2010 at AM^2 in California, that time as Hinoto and Kanoe from *X/1999*, where we focused on trying to portray a more dramatic and dynamic story of the characters. After that, we competed in 2011 at Katsucon in Washington, D.C., as Belldandy and Morgan Le Fay from *Ah! My Goddess!* That performance was based on the interaction between the characters and featured some intricate lighting and wing work. Each of these years, we learned many things about the competition and about our own approach. Each year, we put more and more into our performances and our craftsmanship, and how to balance out the two to give a more cohesive mix.

So finally, for 2013 we competed as Alice and Vivaldi from *Heart no Kuni no Alice*. With all of the previous years' experiences behind us, we pulled out all of the stops. We went as big as we could go with prop work, we infused more intricate detailing into our costumes, we made a completely convincing tear-away dress that was part of the performance and not hidden behind a prop, and we played on our interactions with each other as performers. The competition was intense and the amount of talent standing on the stage with us was staggering.

"…the thought of being the representatives for the United States of America in World Cosplay Summit was something that we have tried for many times. It was constantly a dream that we kept hoping to achieve someday…"

By Tiffany Tezna
WCS US Team 2013
Cupcake Cosplay

Edited By Greg J. Hansen
WCS US Staff Writer

Everyone was doing exactly what we had done, having pulled out all of the stops to achieve their dreams as well. So when we were announced as representatives, we were shocked and surprised.

For those of you who may not know, the thought of being the representatives for the United States of America in World Cosplay Summit was something that we have tried for many times. It was constantly a dream that we kept hoping to achieve someday. So when we were announced as the representatives of the United States of America for 2013, we were floored! Our dream was finally coming true. We were so deeply honored to be chosen, and happy that all of our hard work had finally paid off, but we quickly found that we still had a lot of work to do before we even made it to Japan.

The prep work for Japan included a massive amount of paperwork. Our contracts, itineraries, and detailing everything about all of the costumes we would be bringing for parades, press, and performance. Because it is ultimately a pageant run by a TV station, they want to know about everything that is going across any of their stages, to make sure it is appropriate for all audiences and will give a good show. Thankfully, we had previous US teams to help and support us, and to inform us of what to expect. The first thing they recommended was to bring extra costumes. Each year, more and more events are added and, due to the extreme heat in Nagoya, Japan, the costumes do absorb sweat. Wearing the same costume more than once might not be as pleasant the second or third time around. So we ended up bringing five costumes: Princess Serenity and Princess Chibiusa from *Sailor Moon*, Umi Ryuuzaki and Hikaru Shidou from *Magic Knights Rayearth*, Yui Hongo and Miaka Yuuki from *Fushigi Yuugi*, Belldandy and Skuld from *Ah! My Goddess!*, and Vivaldi and Alice from *Kuni no Heart no Alice*.

Since we were representing the United States, we crammed making these outfits into the few short months we had before we went to Japan. Each one we painstakingly made as elaborate as we could. We treated each one like a "main event" competition stage costume which we would be performing in. We were so proud of our costumes! We had a hard time packing them into all of our suitcases, and hoped that they would make it to Japan safe and sound.

And then the day came that we were going to Japan! We were so excited to finally be going, after all of the waiting we were boarding the plane and buckling in for our long flight. We flew first to Los Angeles, then transferred over to another flight to take us to Narita, where we caught one more flight that took us to our final destination of Nagoya, Japan. At the end of being in the air for about 19 hours, we were ready to stretch our legs and lay down in a comfy bed and not give a care to the world. Of course, this didn't happen, since it was only 6:00 PM local time. We were welcomed by several teams to go hang out and explore our first evening in Japan, which involved food and then lots of unpacking and ironing and making sure that everything had made it to Japan unharmed.

First thing next morning, all of the teams (Finland, Germany, Australia, Spain, the United Kingdom, Mexico, Denmark, Russia, China, Thailand, Indonesia, the Netherlands, Japan, France,

Singapore, Brazil, South Korea, Malaysia and ourselves) were placed onto a bus and transported to Ichinomiya for our first parade. We quickly learned how different cosplaying in Japan was from the United States. In the US, we usually change in a hotel room for a convention and then go to convention floor for a few hours, then return to our room to change back or into something else. In Japan, we had to transport our costumes to the location and get changed on site. We had to prioritize and plan ahead more, and it definitely made us more mindful because if we'd left something back at the hotel, there would be no going back for it.

After changing, first into Umi and Hikaru from *Magic Knight Rayearth*, we were told what our first events would be: a small stage walk-on for a photo session, and then a very long outdoor parade. Both events went with no problems. All of the countries lined up and followed each other down a long stretch of street, which was surrounded by stores where families had lined up with other cosplayers for the small festival. It was an amazing start to the week, to be walking together with all of the other countries, though the weather was a lot hotter than what we were expecting and nothing we could have done would have prepared us for it. After the parade we returned to Nagoya, were released from that day's duties, and all of the food was consumed.

The next day was the most nerve-wracking and stressful day that either of us had ever encountered: choosing the performance order for finals. This was the one day that neither of us were looking forward to, since we somehow have the bad luck of always performing within the first three spots whenever World Cosplay Summit is involved. So with that already looming over our heads, we boarded the bus and proceeded to the airport where a stage was set up, for festival performances and the selection of the countries' order. From what we had been told, each year has been different in the selections. Some teams were just informed of when they would go, and some selected envelopes with their performance number in it. This year, all of the countries were divided into three groups so they would fit on the stage. Each team then selected a ball numbered 1 through 3, and this number was the performance block that they would be in. Of course, we picked a ball with the number 1 clearly printed on it. Our hearts immediately dropped. We were already fearful we'd be going within the first three, and this solidified our chances of that. Within each large group, the next drawing was for position in line. The box containing the numbers came towards us at the end, and our mouths dried. As we watched the higher numbers be pulled, we both thought that fate just didn't like us. We reached into the box and pulled out a slip of paper, slowly unfolding it to reveal a big number 1. At least it was now over and, without a moment to breathe, everyone was taken outside for a photo session. We all lined up apart from each other along the wall, and our pictures were taken.

As soon as pictures were done, we were allowed to change and relax before being taken to a welcoming party hosted by our helper students. The party was an amazingly fun experience. All of the countries got to interact with each other, to share and exchange gifts of candies and treats from their home. We brought giant Pixie Sticks and Cracker Jacks,

which ended up with a lot of 'sword' fighting and sugar rushes. It was all over too fast, and we had to head back to the hotel.

The following day included a trip to the Brother museum, which included a showroom of new upcoming gadgetry, as well as a full wall of Brother sewing machines which everyone bowed to in respect. Afterwards, we filmed our intro video that would be showing before our performance. This was meant to show our personalities and allow us a few second to introduce who we were for all the world to see. After many mistakes and lots of laughter, we finished and moved onto our next event which was a visit to Orange Studio, or as we liked to call it, *Cosplayer's Wonderland*. It was a two story studio that housed more than 10 rooms of various designs—from Marie Antoinette to a small street with a cafe—where we could take photos just for the fun of it. Along with Germany, Finland, Russia, Spain and the Netherlands, we explored and had an amazing adventure thru the different sets as Princess Serenity and Princess Chibiusa from *Sailor Moon*. Much later we returned back to the hotel and promptly went to sleep.

The next day was a lot of mayhem. It was the day to have our props and costumes weighed, and to have our stage lighting and directions reviewed. All of the teams were running around getting everything ready and preparing their costumes. Judging was to be in full costume and makeup, since the overall appearance and fit was being counted in the scoring. Up first was weighing and measuring the prop. Thankfully, our prop was able to be folded and placed into a long color guard pole bag, which made it easy for weighing as well as transporting it from one location to another. For the weighing of the costumes, both of us stepped onto a scale and then returned later in normal clothing to be weighed again for the difference. After the weighing and measuring, we were assigned a translator to help with stage directions, and we had the amazing luck to get Will from the previous year's Team Australia. For the directions, they just wanted to confirm our lighting cues and spotlights so they would have them for performance day. After that, we entered the room of judges, which was the most terrifying judging either of us had ever encountered. Each of the countries' organizers were sitting with scoring sheets as we entered. We were asked to give a several-minute explanation of our costumes and their construction before the judges were allowed to get up close to the costumes for detailed examination. After being swarmed with questions, we were allowed to change and go explore the city. We went to do a little shopping before returning back and having dinner with Australia, France and the United Kingdom at a small ramen shop.

The next day was our day off from cosplay events. We went with Team Korea and our students to explore parts of Nagoya on a quick tour of the city where we bonded over the cow temple and

DragonBall Z sodas from the vending machines! After a very relaxing day, we all made our way to the karaoke party that was hosted by Brother. Much food was consumed, alcohol moved around the room quickly and an insane amount of singing was to be heard. We learned that every country knows Aerosmith, and that the later the night got, the worse/better the singing got. But it was quickly over and we made our way back to the hotel after sharing a bag of gummy bears on the bus with Team Germany.

The week was already flying by and now we were almost to the end. This day was the day of the rehearsal practice and prop building. For this day we were given the morning off which we shared with Australia, Mexico, France and Germany. We spent our time shopping, and then we visited a bunny cafe where we ate adorable parfaits and cuddled with fluffy bunnies. This was followed by more shopping until we returned to the hotel early in the afternoon. Back at the hotel, every team gathered their supplies and, using the underground metro/shopping area, we proceeded to the Oasis 21 stage. Since this was practice, we only built the base frame of the book and not the whole prop, while other counties built their entire props which they would leave for the next day's final performance. For the rehearsals, each team was given 10 minutes to set up the prop on stage, to put down tape markers, and then to practice getting everything on and off the stage. We managed one and a half run-throughs in the time allotted before they stopped and started the next group. After the individual run-throughs they ran thru the whole first block of skits continuously with no breaks in between. After that was over, we were allowed to either leave and relax or to watch the next block's practice. We decided it was

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Members: Mauricio Somenzari and Mônica Somenzari

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Members: Wang Wen Qian and Chen Xiao Ying

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Korea
Members: Sangcho Hong and Lee Jongup

Malaysia
Members: Kaien Yuu and Tan Yee Gim

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Members: Rizel Cos Play and ChaeRin Rojas de Black
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in our best interest to go back and get some sleep since the next day was championships.

The day of Championships finally arrived and flew by so quickly that most of it is a blur to us now. If started off with the red carpet parade where we wore Princess Serenity and Princess Chibiusa from *Sailor Moon*. Since this was the parade that was announcing to everyone in attendance that we were the representatives for the United States of America, we wanted to make everyone proud. This particular parade went from the front of the hotel to about a block away and back, and was one of the slowest parades we had ever been in. Press was on one side, and an audience of fellow cosplayers and fans alike were on the other. Cameras were everywhere and we had no idea where to really look, so we just kept smiling and walking till we reached the end. The second part of the parade took us back down the same stretch of carpeted road, but now we moved with the mayor of Nagoya and got to dance around and have a little more fun as the music played. After the parade we all gathered for a big group photo and then dispersed, since it was then time to get ready for the championships.

An hour before events were to begin, all of the teams gathered in the lobby of the hotel and we all paraded thru the underground system to Oasis 21 where, in just a few hours, our fates would be decided. Rushing to set up our prop, we tried to distract ourselves from our growing nerves by talking with other teams who were close and drinking water to keep ourselves hydrated. But it all came too fast as we were already being told to get into standby positions. Holding each other's hands we just breathed deeply and prepared ourselves. Whatever would happen on stage would be it, there was no turning back. And then our intro started and the lights dimmed. We walked on, set up, and before we could blink the music had started.

And then it was over. Coming down the steps from the stage we both felt like a giant weight had been lifted off of our shoulders. We had completed what we had come to do, and now it was time to breathe and cheer on all of our new friends as they prepared to get on stage and perform as well. Once again, as in the United States during preliminaries and finals, we were surrounded by an insane amount of talented and passionate cosplayers who we had come to love and respect. We knew that whoever would win this year would deserve it, because everyone's hearts were put into what they were showing the world.

After cheering everyone on and watching all of the performances backstage, we were escorted back onto the stage where we were all met with screaming fans and cheers from the audience. And then it turned into a blur of lights and sounds. The deep booming voice of the announcer read off the awards one by

one, and then he announced the Brother Award was going to entry number 1: the United States of America. We were shocked beyond belief as we accepted the award from the judges. As we went back in line, we waited for them to announce the placed winners so we could cheer them on as they accepted their awards. And then the unthinkable happened. We were announced as second place! To say we were

shocked is an understatement. We had no idea how to react besides looking at each other and then back at the award. How? What just happened? No words can truly describe how we felt besides sheer happiness and shock.

And then it was over. They announced Italy as first place to a roar of applause. They shot giant confetti all over the place and pumped bubbles around the stage. We left the stage and were hugged

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and congratulated by all of our new friends, and we all celebrated the fact that it was now over and there was no stress for anyone. Now, we could go back to the hotel and relax for the evening, since it was already so late.

The final day for official World Cosplay Summit events included the Osu Kannon parade. This consisted of an hour long parade from the Osu Kannon temple, around the shopping area and then back to the temple. For this parade we opted for comfort and wore Miaka and Yui from *Fushigi Yuugi*, which was the best decision since the weather was insanely hot and miserable this day. After the long parade route, all of the winners were taken aside to a small stage for a walk-on and short interview about the week's events and how we were feeling at that point in time. This was a great way to introduce the winners on a smaller stage for the fans, but it was in direct sunlight so we all were suffering a little in the heat. Afterwards, we were escorted to TV Aichi's building and given snacks before going on-set to do a small singing section and interview piece for the TV show.

Upon leaving the TV station, all of the teams changed and were taken to a final Karaoke party with some of the local cosplayers of Nagoya. We ended up with Team Spain and a rotating group of people as we sang every Disney song they had. It seemed it was as over as soon as it started, and we were back at the hotel for the long task of packing everything back into our suitcases.

Now that all of the official events for World Cosplay Summit were over, we got treated to a special trip to an onsen. If you've ever seen just about any anime ever, you'll know this as the proper name for traditional public baths and facilities built around hot springs. All of the teams boarded two buses and we were on our way to an onsen by the sea. Upon arrival, they greeted us with the banging of a gong, and each person was given a yukata to change into. We were escorted to our room where we were given a special intro ceremony of green tea, and then we explored the hotel and located the onsen on the top floor. Dinner was served in a large banquet hall which had a karaoke machine at the end for more singing and misbehaving. We went around the room and made sure to take pictures with everyone so we would never forget the friends we had made, and all of the fun we'd had with them.

After dinner, we wandered back to our room where we gathered our supplies for the onsen. We bathed and relaxed in the hot waters by the sea until we turned into prunes. Because it was our last night with the other teams, we went to one of the other team's rooms where games were being played and shenanigans were afoot. It was hard to go to sleep that night knowing that the next day we would have to separate from all of these amazing people.

And so the next day came and went, and many tears were shed. But as our most lasting souvenir, we now have even more friends and life memories that we wouldn't trade for anything. ❖

INTERVIEW WITH TIFFANY AND CASSY OF CUPCAKE COSPLAY

By Greg J. Hansen

Considering the costumes, set piece and performance, what was the most challenging aspect of preparing the Alice skit?

Coming up with a unique and universally translatable idea was most definitely the most challenging aspect of skit preparation. We spent a lot of time creating and using storyboards, along with watching movies that had the aspects of what we were trying to convey or attempt within the skit.

What memorable aspect or incident of the trip to Japan were you not expecting?

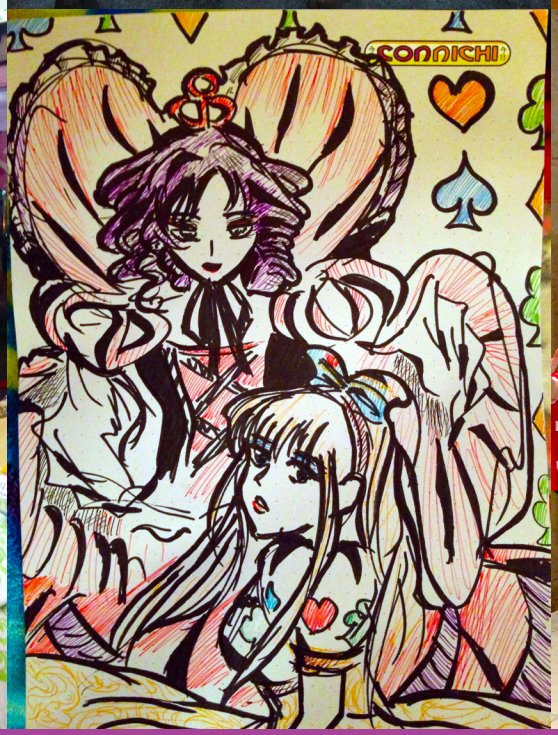
Winning both the Brother Award and 2nd Place was by far one of the most memorable things that happened to us while we were over in Japan, and was also the most unexpected and shocking moment for us. It brought tears to our eyes as it was happening. It is one of the biggest honors we have been given and we still canít quite believe we received more than one award.

Were there any communication barriers with the other teams that you overcame in a creative or unusual way?

Prior to the World Cosplay Summit event in Japan, all of the teams were active in a secret group on Facebook. This allowed everyone to get to know each other before we even left for Japan, so upon arrival it was like we were already meeting a long time friend. As for a language barrier, there was a slight barrier for intense conversations but no one seemed to notice or care much about it. We used the language of Cosplay and a love of anime to bridge the gap.

Which was your favorite place to visit during the trip?

There were actually two places we enjoyed the most. One was Disney Sea, which we visited in



Tōkyō right after the WCS. During the event, we visited a "Bunny Café" with a bunch of the other teams including Australia, Germany, Mexico and France. At this café you were allowed to hold and play with bunnies before having drinks and parfaits that were all bunny-themed.

Any advice you can offer to teams hoping to represent the United States in future World Cosplay Summits?

Our best recommendation for World Cosplay Summit USA hopefuls is to pick a series you love and be creative when creating your skit. Your passion and love will really shine through in both your costumes and your performance. Always remember that WCS is about the experience of cosplaying internationally. It's about getting to be an ambassador for the hobby, and to represent what cosplay is like in your country. ❖

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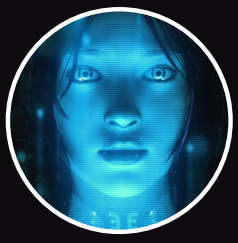
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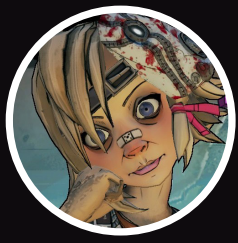
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Shooter • PC, PS3, X360

FIFA Soccer 14
Electronic Arts • EA Canada
Sports • 3DS, PC, PS Vita, PS2, PS3, PSP, Wii, X360

Pro Evolution Soccer 2014
Konami
Sports • PS3, X360

Scribblenauts Unmasked: A DC Comics Adventure
Warner Bros. Interactive • 5th Cell
Puzzle, Action • 3DS, PC, Wii U

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows
Activision • Red Fly Studio
Action • PS3

Ys: Memories of Celceta
Xseed Games • Nihon Falcom Corp
Action, RPG • PS Vita

Sep 30

Where is my Heart?
Copenhagen Game Collective
Platformer • MAC

Oct 1

Etrian Odyssey Untold: The Millennium Girl
Atlus
RPG • 3DS

NBA 2K14
2K Sports • Visual Concepts
Sports • PC, PS3, X360

Rain
Sony Computer Entertainment • SCE Studios Japan, Acquire
Adventure • PS3

Rune Factory 4
Xseed Games • Neverland Co.
RPG • 3DS

Oct 4

The Legend of Zelda: The Wind Waker HD
Nintendo
Action, Adventure • Wii U

Oct 8

Beyond: Two Souls
Sony Computer Entertainment • Quantic Dream
Adventure • PS3

Disgaea D2: A Brighter Darkness
NIS America • Nippon Ichi Software
Action • PS3

Dishonored
Bethesda Softworks • Arkane Studios
Action • PC, PS3, X360

F1 2013
Codemasters • Codemasters Studios Birmingham
Racing • PC, PS3, X360

Just Dance 2014
Ubisoft • Ubisoft Paris
Music • PS3, Wii,Wii U,X360

Mech Mice
Hyper Hippo Productions
Strategy • PC

Raquna, Frederica, The Hero, Arthur & Simon — Etrian Odyssey Untold: The Millennium Girl

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Oct 12

Pokemon X Version
Nintendo • Game Freak
RPG • 3DS

Pokemon Y Version
Nintendo • Game Freak
RPG • 3DS

Oct 13

Skylanders Swap Force
Activision • Vicarious Visions
Adventure • 3DS, PS3, Wii, Wii U, X360

Oct 22

Rocksmith 2014
Ubisoft
Music • MAC, PC, PS3, X360

Sonic: Lost World
SEGA • Sonic Team, Dimps
Platformer • 3DS, Wii U

SpongeBob SquarePants: Plankton's Robotic Revenge
Activision • Behaviour Interactive
Adventure • 3DS, NDS, PS3, Wii, Wii U, X360

Oct 24

Raven's Cry
TopWare Interactive • Octane Games
Action • PC, PS3, X360

Oct 25

Batman: Arkham Origins
Warner Bros. Interactive • WB Games – Montreal, Splash Damage
Action • PC, PS3, Wii U, X360

Batman: Arkham Origins Blackgate
Warner Bros. Interactive • Armature Studio
Action • 3DS, PS Vita

Wii Party U
Nintendo • NDCube
Party • Wii U

Oct 29

Angry Birds Star Wars
Activision • Rovio
Puzzle • 3DS, PS Vita, PS3, Wii, Wii U, X360

Assassin's Creed IV: Black Flag
Ubisoft • Ubisoft Montreal
Action, Adventure • PS3

Battlefield 4
Electronic Arts • DICE (Digital Illusions CE)
Shooter • PC, PS3

Beyblade: Evolution
D3 Publisher • Rising Star Games
Action • 3DS

Pac-Man and the Ghostly Adventures
Namco Bandai
Action • PS3, X360

WWE 2K14
Take-Two Interactive • Yuke's Media Creations
Wrestling • PS3, X360

Oct 31

Deadly Premonition: The Director's Cut
Rising Star Games • Access Games (JP)
Action, Adventure • PC

Football Manager 2014
SEGA • Sports Interactive (SI Interactive)
Sports, Simulation • Linux, MAC, PC

Nov 5

Call of Duty: Ghosts
Activision • Infinity Ward
Shooter • PC, PS3, Wii U, X360

Nov 12

XCOM: Enemy Within
2K Games • Firaxis Games, Feral Interactive
Strategy • MAC

Nov 13

BandFuse: Rock Legends
Mastiff • Realta Entertainment Group
Music • PS3, X360

Nov 15

Driveclub
Sony Computer Entertainment • Evolution Studios
Racing • PS4

Killzone: Shadow Fall
Sony Computer Entertainmen • Guerrilla Games
Shooter • PS4

Knack
Sony Computer Entertainment • SCE Studios Japan
Action • PS4

Sicily, Etna, Flonne & Laharu — Disgaea D2: A Brighter Darkness

Resogun
Sony Computer Entertainment • Housemarque
Shooter • PS4

Switch Galaxy Ultra
Atomicom
Action • PS Vita, PS4

The PlayRoom
Sony Computer Entertainment
Productivity • PS4

Nov 19

Air Conflicts: Vietnam
BitComposer Games • Games Farm
Flight, Action • PS3, X360

Need for Speed Rivals
Electronic Arts • Ghost, Criterion Games
Racing • PC, PS3, X360

Watch Dogs
Ubisoft • Ubisoft Montreal
Action • PC, PS3, Wii U, X360

Nov 22

Assassin's Creed IV: Black Flag
Ubisoft • Ubisoft Montreal
Action, Adventure • XBOX1

Battlefield 4
Electronic Arts • DICE (Digital Illusions CE)
Shooter • X360, XBOX1

Call of Duty: Ghosts
Activision • Infinity Ward
Shooter • XBOX1

Crimson Dragon
Grounding Inc. • Grounding Inc., Land Ho!
Action • XBOX1

Dead Rising 3
Capcom • Capcom Game Studio Vancouver
Action • XBOX1

FIFA Soccer 14
Electronic Arts • EA Canada
Sports • XBOX1

Fighter Within
Ubisoft
Sports,Fighting • XBOX1

Forza Motorsport 5
Microsoft • Turn 10 Studios
Racing • XBOX1

Just Dance 2014
Ubisoft • Ubisoft Paris
Music • XBOX1

Killer Instinct
Microsoft • Double Helix, Rare
Fighting • XBOX1

LEGO Marvel Super Heroes
Warner Bros. Interactive • Traveller's Tales
Action • XBOX1

LocoCycle
Microsoft • Twisted Pixel
Action • XBOX1

Madden NFL 25
Electronic Arts • Tiburon
Sports • XBOX1

Mario Party: Island Tour
Nintendo
Party • 3DS

NBA 2K14
2K Sports • Visual Concepts
Sports • XBOX1

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Peggle 2
Electronic Arts • PopCap Games
Puzzle, Action • XBOX1

Powerstar Golf
Microsoft • Zoe Mode
Sports • XBOX1

Ryse: Son of Rome
Microsoft • Crytek Studios
Action, Adventure • XBOX1

Skylanders Swap Force
Activision • Vicarious Visions
Adventure • XBOX1

Super Mario 3D World
Nintendo
Platformer • Wii U

Tearaway
Sony Computer Entertainment • Media Molecule
Adventure • PS Vita

The Legend of Zelda: A Link Between Worlds
Nintendo
Adventure • 3DS

Watch Dogs
Ubisoft • Ubisoft Montreal
Action • XBOX1

Zoo Tycoon: Next-Generation
Microsoft Game Studios • Frontier Developments
Simulation • XBOX1

Zumba Fitness World Party
Majesco • Zoe Mode
Sports,Other • XBOX1

Dec 6

Donkey Kong Country: Tropical Freeze
Nintendo • Retro Studios, Inc.
Platformer,Action • Wii U

Gran Turismo 6
Sony Computer Entertainment • Polyphony Digital
Racing • PS3

Dec 11

Monster Hunter Frontier G
Capcom
Action, Adventure • Wii U

Assassin's Creed IV: Black Flag

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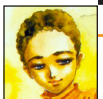

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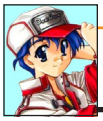

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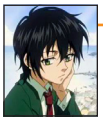

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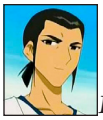

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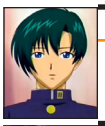

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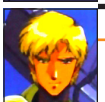

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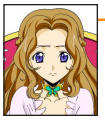

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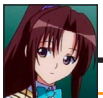

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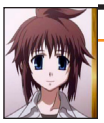

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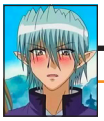

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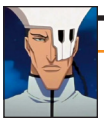

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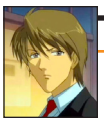

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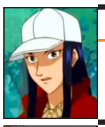

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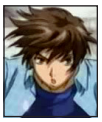

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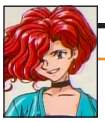

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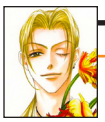

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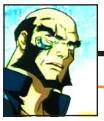

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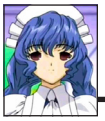

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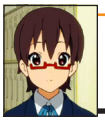

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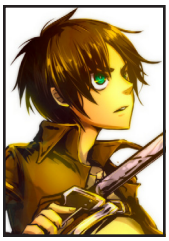

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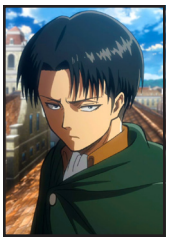
Shingeki no Kyojin



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Levi
リヴァイ
Shingeki no Kyojin

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Tachibana, Makoto
橘 真琴
Free!

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Kira Yamato
キラ・ヤマト
Kidō Senshi Gundam SEED

6
Nanase, Haruka
七瀬 遙
Free!

7
Kamijō, Tōma
上条 当麻
Toaru Kagaku no Chōdenjihō S

8
Kodai, Susumu
古代 進
Uchū Senkan Yamato 2199

9
Staz Charlie Blood
スタズ・チャーリー・ブラッド
Blood Lad

10
Matsuoka, Rin
松岡 凛
Free!

Top Female Ranking†

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松岡 江
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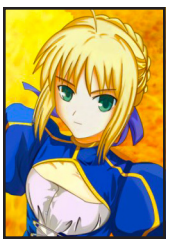

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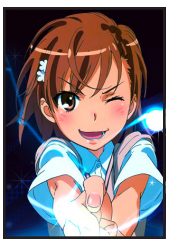

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森 雪
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Time and Eternity
時と永遠
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The story begins with the wedding of Princess Toki and her fiancé Zach. As the wedding proceeds, a group of assassins have raided the ceremony. The assassins attack the couple and the worst outcome became a reality, Zach is killed. As Princess Toki witnesses her love's death, Toki transferred into another persona within her named Towa. As Towa fixed the situation she was in, she goes over to Zach and takes his soul. Towa then places Zach's soul into her pet dragon, Drake. As Zach's soul is transferred, Towa and Drake get sucked into a time warp and go back in time to prevent the attack on Toki's wedding day.

As the game has beautiful animation, your decisions affect the outcome of the relationship between Zach and Toki or Towa. You can keep an eye of the relationship between the three by a meter showing the girls affection for Zach. The affection can affect the game which can be new dialogue options and special combination attacks during battle. ❖

Toki to Eien ~Toki Towa~
(Time and Eternity)
時と永遠～トキトワ～
July 16, 2013 (NA)
Imageepoch, Satelight
Namco Bandai Games, NIS America

Platform: Playstation 3

tokitowa.channel.or.jp
nisamerica.com/games/time_and_eternity/
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Composer: Koshiro, Yuzo
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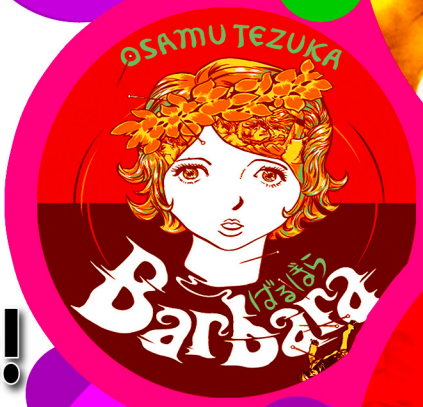

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She's a first hear high school student who has "inherited" her father's restaureant Curry House Cooking Ganesha after her abandoned her.

Koenji, Makito

Her's a mysterious curry chef and friends of Yui's father. Together with Yui, they try save the restaurant through a series of "events."

Addicted to Curry
(Curry Nara Shokutaku
華麗なる食卓
Shueisha, Weekly Young Jump
July 2001 – February 2013, 49 Volumes

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Author: Funatsu, Kazuki

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by
Funatsu, Kazuki (ふなつ一輝)

Yui Sonezaki a high school student, out a walk looking for stray and starving animals. She find a man lying on the street. To help out this man, she tries to give him food and drink. In doing so, she accidentally drop the drink on his face. Yui later learns that this man, Makito, is a friend of her father. Makito learns that Yui's fater left on a journey to gain better curry cooking skills. By leaving, he left the his restaurant Curry House Cooking Ganesha to his daughter, as well as the debt that he incurred buy the failing restaurant. Makito decides to help Yui save the restaurant as the curry chef. Though the restaurat has a bad reputation, they go through a series of trials and win favor of the locals to save the restaurant little by little. Each volume of the manga will have up to a few curry recepies featured in the storyline.

Here's a preview of the first. Be sure to support the author.

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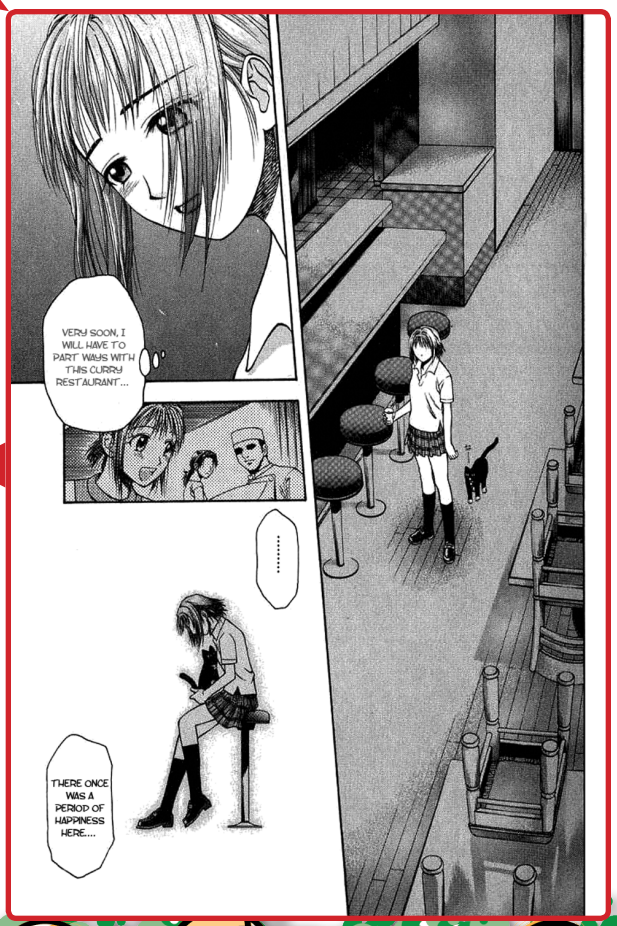

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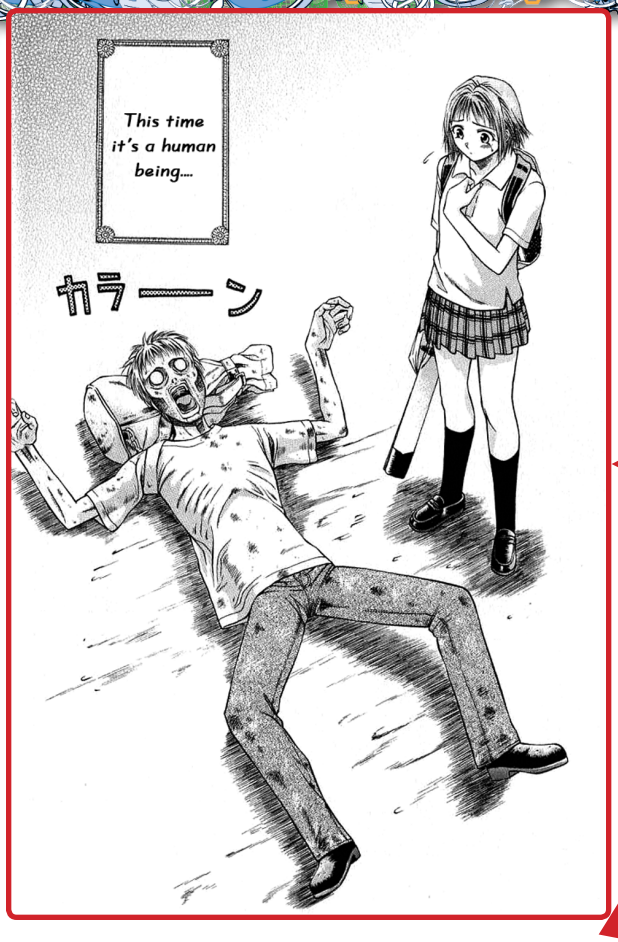

WHAT SHOULD I DO?
Once in a while, a person will come face to face with a major decision...
It's only this time that I am so worried
I could never bear it. and ended up giving them some food and take them home with me.
When I was little. whenever I saw a hungry animal...
Moreover...
We have so many pets at home...
But any more and I don't think my parents can stand it anymore!

SUPPOSE I ABANDON HIM HERE...
NO...I CAN'T! I SHOULD BE A BIT HARSHER...
BUT...
WHAT IF SOMETHING HAPPENS...
HN
THIS WAY HE CAN SURVIVE!
I KNOW! AT THE VERY LEAST I CAN GIVE HIM SOMETHING TO EAT! ALTHOUGH IT'S JUST BREAD AND RED TEA...
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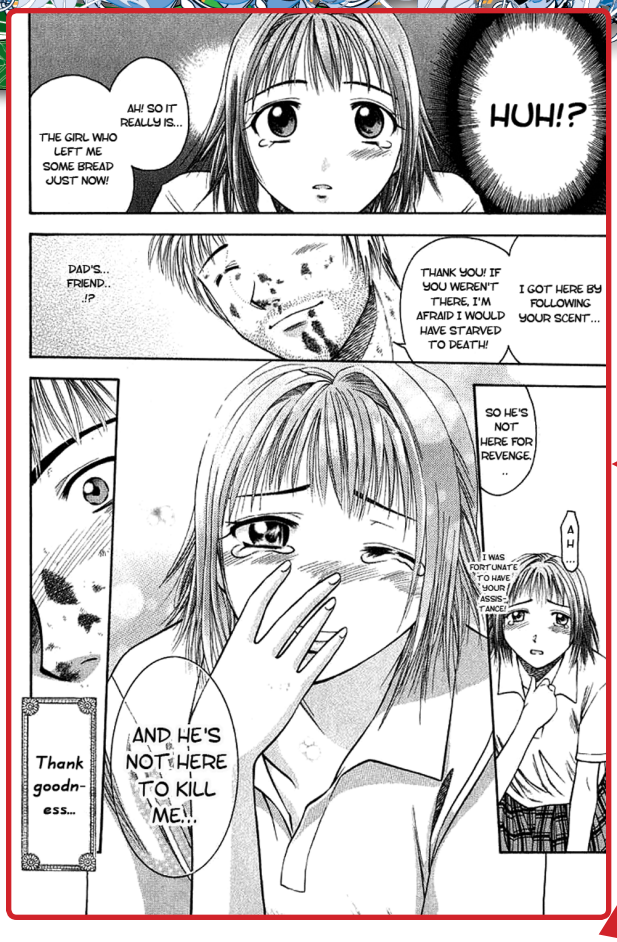
HUH!?
AH! SO IT REALLY IS...
THE GIRL WHO LEFT ME SOME BREAD JUST NOW!
DAD'S... FRIEND..!?
THANK YOU! IF YOU WEREN'T THERE, I'M AFRAID I WOULD HAVE STARVED TO DEATH!
I GOT HERE BY FOLLOWING YOUR SCENT...
SO HE'S NOT HERE FOR REVENGE...
AH...
I WAS FORTUNATE TO HAVE YOUR ASSIS-TANCE!
Thank goodn-ess...
AND HE'S NOT HERE TO KILL ME...!

華麗なる食卓❶
HE WILL KILL ME...
UM...
HE'S GONNA KILL ME!
EX...EXCUSE ME...
HE'LL USE VARIOUS METHODS TO TORTURE ME...
IS HE HERE?
THIS CURRY HOUSE...IS IT OWNED BY SONEZAKI SOUICHIROU? I'M HIS FRIEND...
MAYBE?
AND THEN HE'LL CREAMATE MY CORPSE IN THE MOUN-TAINS TO CONCEAL THE EVIDENCE!!
19

HERE'S THE TOWEL!
OH YEAH!! THIS FEELS SO GOOD!
AH, THANK YOU!
IT'S HARD TO PICTURE SONEZAKI-SAN HAVING SUCH A CUTE DAUGHTER LIKE YOURSELF! YOU LOOK NOTHING LIKE HIM!
YOU REALLY SURPRISED ME! YOUR NAME IS YUI RIGHT?
I'M MAKITO!
KOENJI MAKITO!

I faintly smell the warm, sweet, and yet calming fragrance of caraway
"THANK GOODNESS"...? SAVING ME WAS THAT IMPORTANT FOR HER?
NOTE: CARAWAY IS A SPICE OFTEN USED IN CURRY DISHES
The girl before me, even as she was crying pea-sized tears, smiled at me...
and seemed just like an angel----

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HAHAHAHA
THAT BASTARD ONLY TOLD ME THE NAME OF THE SHOP AND FORCED ME TO LOOK ALL OVER THE PLACE!!
SON OF A BITCH!
SO...THAT MEANS YOU'RE NOT WELCOME!
LUCKILY, I'VE FINALLY FOUND IT!!

華麗なる食卓❶
WHAT?
YOU WANT ME TO HELP YOU ASK AROUND?
HEH...
IF YOU HAVE TIME WHEN YOU GET BACK TO JAPAN, LOOK ME UP.. YOU'RE WELCOME...
BUT NOT TOO WELCOME...
I'VE ALREADY BEEN IN TOKYO FOR THE PAST THREE MONTHS...
IF I'M IN A GOOD MOOD, I'LL KEEP AN EYE OPEN FOR YOU.
OKAY, ALRIGHT! IN ANY CASE, AFTER I RETURN TO JAPAN, I WILL CONTINUE RUNNING MY CURRY RESTAURANT IN TOKYO.
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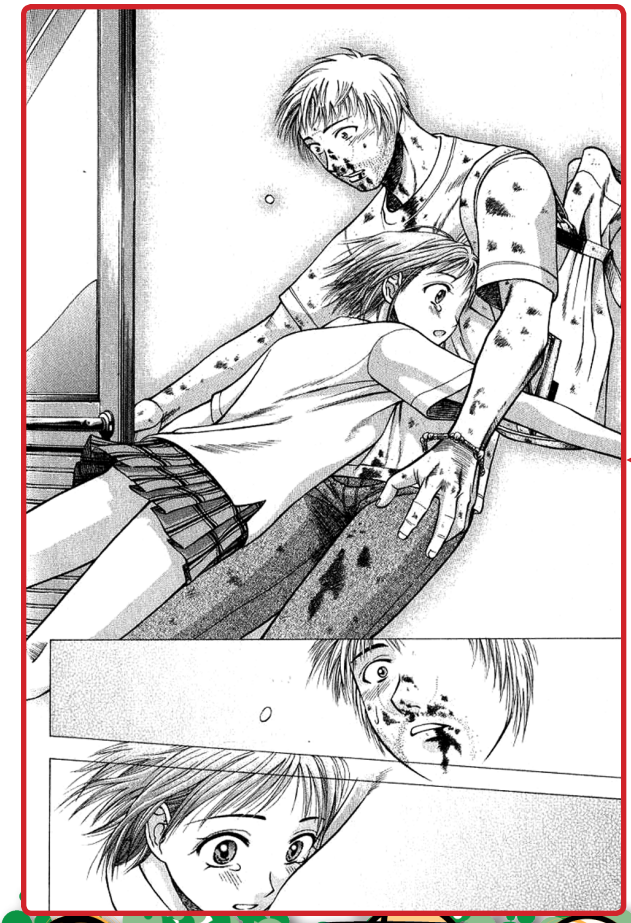

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ACCORDING TO HISTORICAL RECORDS, CARAWAY IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE OLDEST SPICES...
EUROPEANS BACK THEN, BELIEVED SPICES LIKE CARAWAY CONTAINED POWERS THAT FIRMLY CONNECTED PEOPLE TOGETHER WITH NATURE...
ALTHOUGH THIS COULD BE NOTHING MORE THAN SUPERSTITIOUS BELIEF...
BUT IT TRULY HAS...
FIRMLY CONNECTED ME TO THIS CURRY HOUSE!
ALRIGHT, YOU WAIT HERE!

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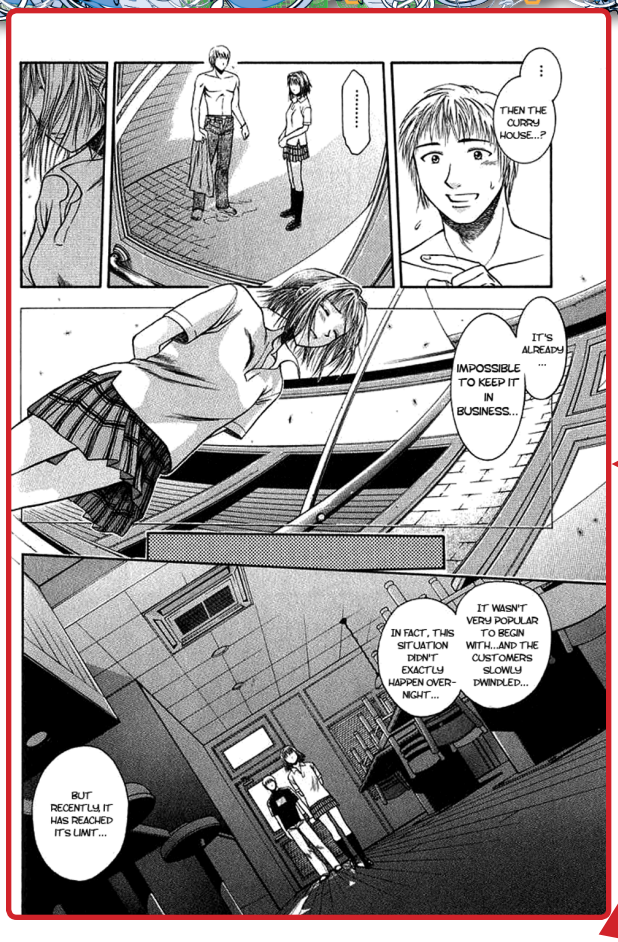
THEN THE CURRY HOUSE...?
IT'S ALREADY ...
IMPOSSIBLE TO KEEP IT IN BUSINESS...
IT WASN'T VERY POPULAR TO BEGIN WITH...AND THE CUSTOMERS SLOWLY DWINDLED...
IN FACT, THIS SITUATION DIDN'T EXACTLY HAPPEN OVER-NIGHT...
BUT RECENTLY IT HAS REACHED IT'S LIMIT...

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IT WAS THE FRA-GRANCE OF CARAWAY
CARA...WAY?
NO...IT WASN'T!
WAS IT A WEIRD SMELL?
JUST A BIT...
LOOKING A BIT CLOSER, I THINK HE'S KINDA CUTE...
EH?
AH...BEFORE, WHEN YOU SAID YOU FOLLOWED MY SCENT HERE...
CARAWAY...IS A SPICE THAT GIVES OFF A SWEET AND REFRESHING SCENT
CARAWAY
IT IS SOME-TIMES USED IN CURRY DISHES...SO I THOUGHT, "MAYBE..."
DAD LEFT YES-TERDAY. I THINK IT WILL BE WHILE BEFORE HE COMES BACK...
UM....HOW SHOULD I PUT THIS...
HUH?
BACK TO THE POINT, IS SONEZAKI-SAN HERE RIGHT NOW? CAN I WAIT FOR HIM HERE?
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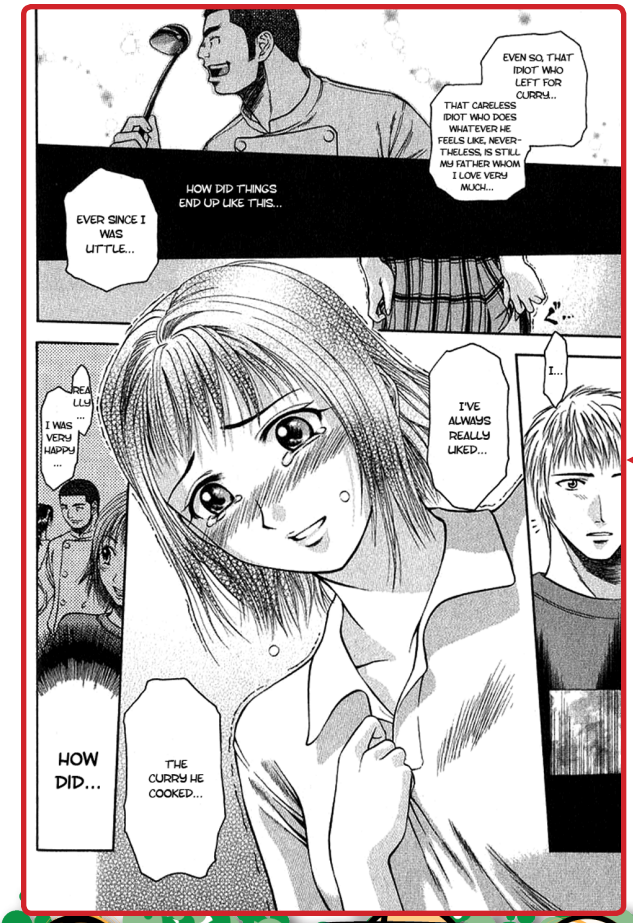
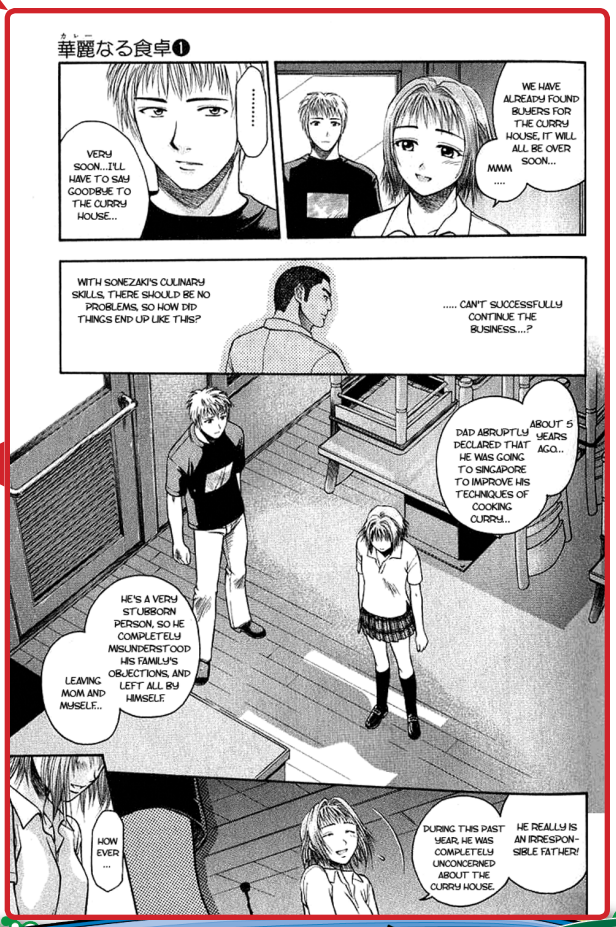

EVEN SO, THAT IDIOT WHO LEFT FOR CURRY...
THAT CARELESS IDIOT WHO DOES WHATEVER HE FEELS LIKE, NEVER-THELESS, IS STILL MY FATHER WHOM I LOVE VERY MUCH...
HOW DID THINGS END UP LIKE THIS...
EVER SINCE I WAS LITTLE...
I'VE ALWAYS REALLY LIKED...
I WAS VERY HAPPY ...
HOW DID...
THE CURRY HE COOKED...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VERY SOON...I'LL HAVE TO SAY GOODBYE TO THE CURRY HOUSE...
WE HAVE ALREADY FOUND BUYERS FOR THE CURRY HOUSE, IT WILL ALL BE OVER SOON...
MMM ....
WITH SONEZAKI'S CULINARY SKILLS, THERE SHOULD BE NO PROBLEMS, SO HOW DID THINGS END UP LIKE THIS?
..... CAN'T SUCCESSFULLY CONTINUE THE BUSINESS....?
ABOUT 5 YEARS AGO...
DAD ABRUPTLY DECLARED THAT HE WAS GOING TO SINGAPORE TO IMPROVE HIS TECHNIQUES OF COOKING CURRY...
HE'S A VERY STUBBORN PERSON, SO HE COMPLETELY MISUNDERSTOOD HIS FAMILY'S OBJECTIONS, AND LEFT ALL BY HIMSELF
LEAVING MOM AND MYSELF...
HOW EVER ...
DURING THIS PAST YEAR, HE WAS COMPLETELY UNCONCERNED ABOUT THE CURRY HOUSE
HE REALLY IS AN IRRESPON-SIBLE FATHER!

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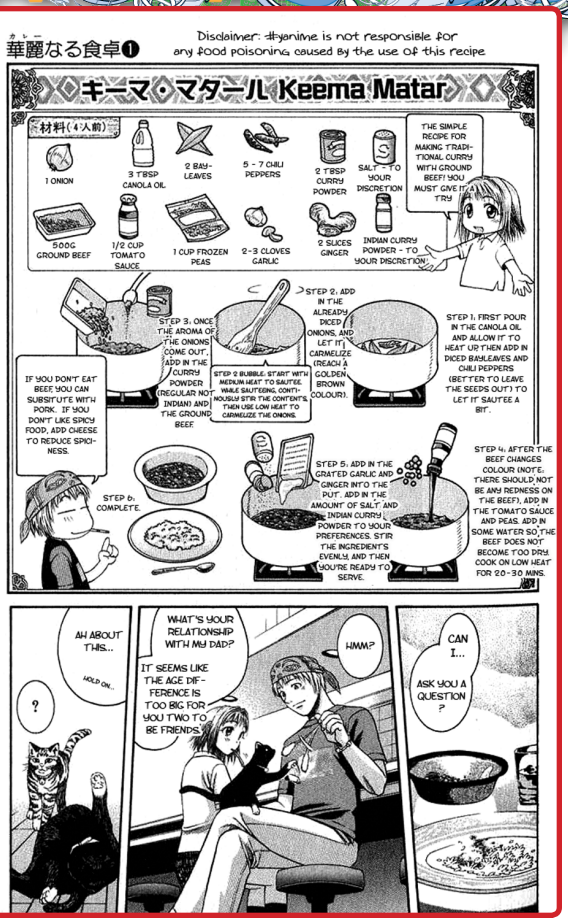
TAKE A LOOK!
?
A PICTURE?
AH...
IS THIS YOU?
YES.
HE WAS ALSO MY SAVIOUR...
HMM... BEFORE ALL THAT...
SONEZAKI WENT TO SINGAPORE TO HONE HIS SKILLS RIGHT?
SONEZAKI AND I WORKED IN THE SAME RESTAURANT...
WE GRADUALLY BECAME GOOD FRIENDS.
HE REALLY HELPED ME OUT A LOT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キーマ・マタール Keema Matar
材料(4人前)
1 ONION
3 TBSP CANOLA OIL
2 BAY-LEAVES
5 - 7 CHILI PEPPERS
2 TBSP CURRY POWDER
SALT - TO YOUR DISCRETION
500G GROUND BEEF
1/2 CUP TOMATO SAUCE
1 CUP FROZEN PEAS
2-3 CLOVES GARLIC
2 SLICES GINGER
INDIAN CURRY POWDER - TO YOUR DISCRETION
THE SIMPLE RECIPE FOR MAKING TRADITIONAL CURRY WITH GROUND BEEF! YOU MUST GIVE IT A TRY
STEP 1. FIRST POUR IN THE CANOLA OIL AND ALLOW IT TO HEAT UP THEN ADD IN DICED BAYLEAVES AND CHILI PEPPERS (BETTER TO LEAVE THE SEEDS OUT) TO LET IT SAUTEE A BIT.
STEP 2. ADD IN THE ALREADY DICED ONIONS, AND LET IT CARMELIZE (REACH A GOLDEN BROWN COLOUR).
STEP 3. ONCE THE AROMA OF THE ONIONS COME OUT, ADD IN THE CURRY POWDER (REGULAR NOT INDIAN) AND THE GROUND BEEF.
STEP 2 BUBBLE: START WITH MEDIUM HEAT TO SAUTEE, WHILE SAUTEEING, CONTINUOUSLY STIR THE CONTENTS THEN USE LOW HEAT TO CARMELIZE THE ONIONS.
IF YOU DON'T EAT BEEF YOU CAN SUBSTITUTE WITH PORK. IF YOU DON'T LIKE SPICY FOOD, ADD CHEESE TO REDUCE SPICINESS.
STEP 4. AFTER THE BEEF CHANGES COLOUR (NOTE: THERE SHOULD NOT BE ANY REDNESS ON THE BEEF), ADD IN THE TOMATO SAUCE AND PEAS. ADD IN SOME WATER SO THE BEEF DOES NOT BECOME TOO DRY. COOK ON LOW HEAT FOR 20-30 MINS.
STEP 5. ADD IN THE GRATED GARLIC AND GINGER INTO THE POT. ADD IN THE AMOUNT OF SALT AND INDIAN CURRY POWDER TO YOUR PREFERENCES. STIR THE INGREDIENTS EVENLY, AND THEN YOU'RE READY TO SERVE.
STEP 6. COMPLETE.

AH ABOUT THIS...
HOLD ON...
?
WHAT'S YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH MY DAD?
IT SEEMS LIKE THE AGE DIFFERENCE IS TOO BIG FOR YOU TWO TO BE FRIENDS.
HMM?
CAN I...
ASK YOU A QUESTION?

THIS CURRY IS SO DELICIOUS!
IT'S EXACTLY THE SAME AS THE CURRY THAT DAD WOULD MAKE!
THANK YOU. NOW I THINK I CAN GIVE UP AND MOVE ON...
SHE HAD ALREADY SAID THAT QUITE A FEW TIMES... THEN THAT MEANS THIS CURRY WON'T BE ENOUGH TO ATTRACT CUSTOMERS
WAIT...IT'S THE SAME AS SONEZAKI-SAN'S CURRY?
I DIDN'T MAKE THIS CURRY SO YOU COULD GET OVER THE WHOLE SITUATION
HELPED ME TWICE...IT DOESN'T SEEM RIGHT FOR ME TO IGNORE THIS SITUATION...
GIVE UP?
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WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT...MY LIFE WOULD BE SPARED...
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE, EAT THIS...
BY TWO GENERATIONS IN THE FAMILY!
I GUESS YOU CAN'T CHANGE HOW BLOOD RUNS IN A FAMILY
EH?
SO THAT'S IT, NO WONDER THE CURRY YOU MADE TASTE JUST LIKE DAD'S...

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WOW~~~~~IT'S AMAZING!
IT'S AMAZING! IT'S AMAZING! HOW DID YOU DO THAT!?
NOISY AS HELL...
HOW DID YOU MAKE IT SO EFFORTLESSLY!?
"GROUND BEEF CURRY"... WITHOUT INTRODUCTIONS, YOU SHOULD KNOW WHAT IT IS! IT'S VERY COMMON IN JAPAN!
ORIGINALLY THIS IS MADE WITH LAMB IN INDIA...BUT BECAUSE I'M NOT COOKING FOR AN INDIAN, I SUBSTITUTED WITH BEEF!
SORRY FOR THE WAIT!
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WHO IS HE REALLY?
ITADAKIMASU...
NERVOUS
AH.....
HEY, IT'S NOTHING TO CRY OVER..
NO... IT'S NOT LIKE THAT...
IT'S SO SPICY ~~~
ALL RED ~~~~
Ah, so that's how it is...
BUT IT'S REALLY DELICIOUS...
PLAIN YOGURT...WHERE'S THE YOGURT!?
REGARDLESS OF THE SWEETNESS OR THE SOURNESS...IT'S ONLY THE SPICYNESS THAT I CAN'T STAND...
THIS PERSON... WHO IS HE REALLY...
AH! THERE'S NONE!?
IT TASTES EXACTLY THE SAME AS THE CURRY THAT DAD WOULD COOK!!

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YOU CRIED JUST NOW...BECAUSE YOU CAN'T LET THE CURRY HOUSE GO, NO? YOU DON'T WANT TO GIVE IT UP, RIGHT?
HUH?
Once in a while, a person will come face to face with a major decision...
I'M NOT FORCING YOU, SO MAKE A DECISION BY YOURSELF.
ARE YOU JUST GOING TO GIVE UP LIKE THIS!? OR ARE YOU GOING TO RUN THIS BUSINESS ONCE MORE WITH ME!?
For instance...something you previously thought to be impossible...
All of a sudden, shows up before you---
SO?
WHAT'S IT GONNA BE!?
UM

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